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For a long time, I was very devoted to my Japanese-style cell phone, but I recently made the transition to a smartphone. Part of me wanted to be obstinate and continue championing Japanese phones...but the smartphone is really nice.

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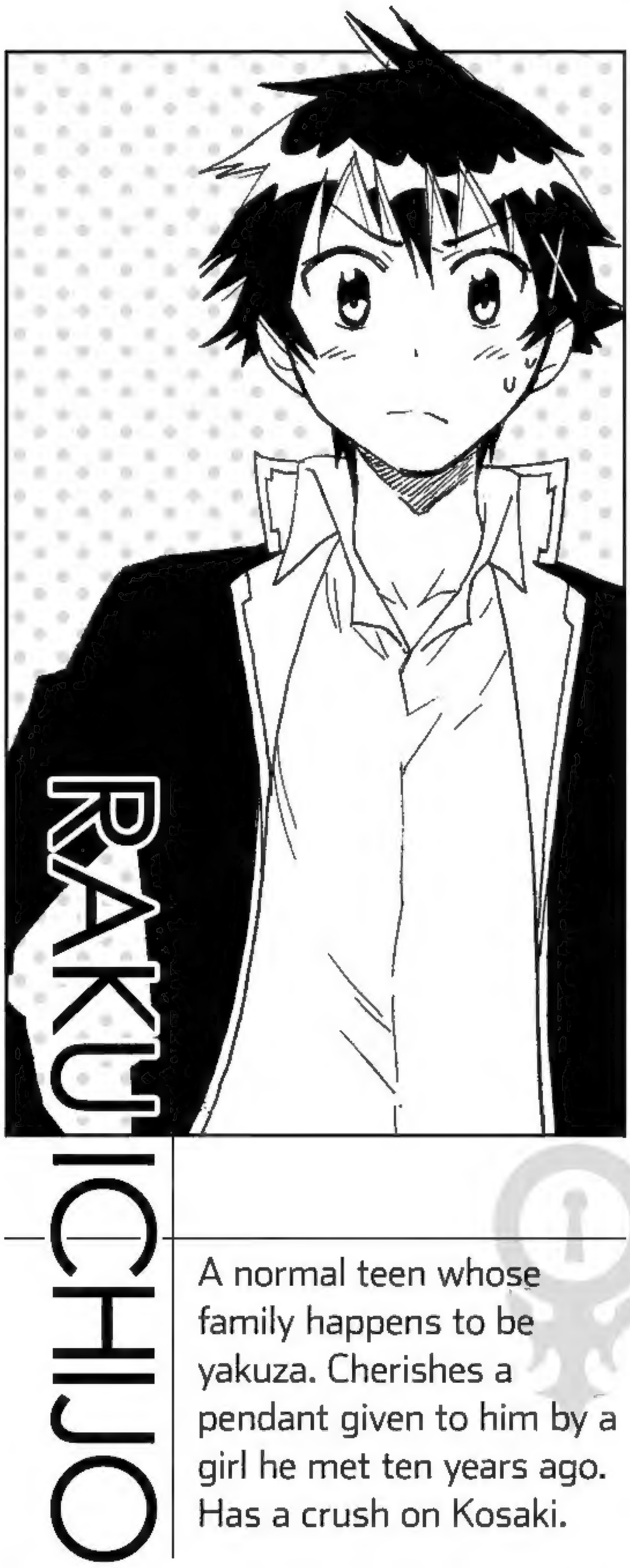


RAKU ICHIJO

A normal teen whose family happens to be yakuza. Cherishes a pendant given to him by a girl he met ten years ago. Has a crush on Kosaki.

CHITOGE KIRISAKI

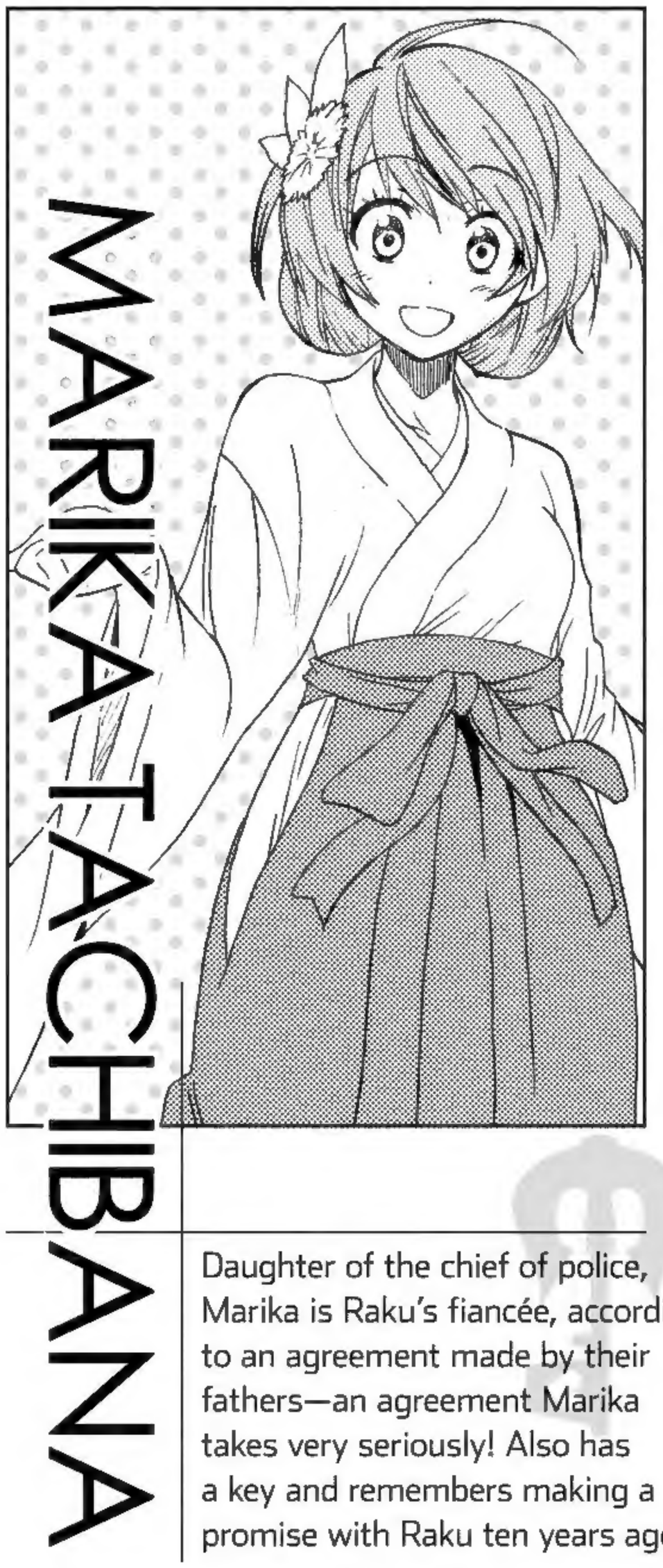
A half-Japanese bombshell with stellar athletic abilities. Short-tempered and violent. Comes from a family of gangsters.

CHARACTERS & STORY

Raku Ichijo is an ordinary teen...who just happens to come from a family of yakuza! His most treasured item is a pendant he was given ten years ago by a girl whom he promised to meet again one day and marry.

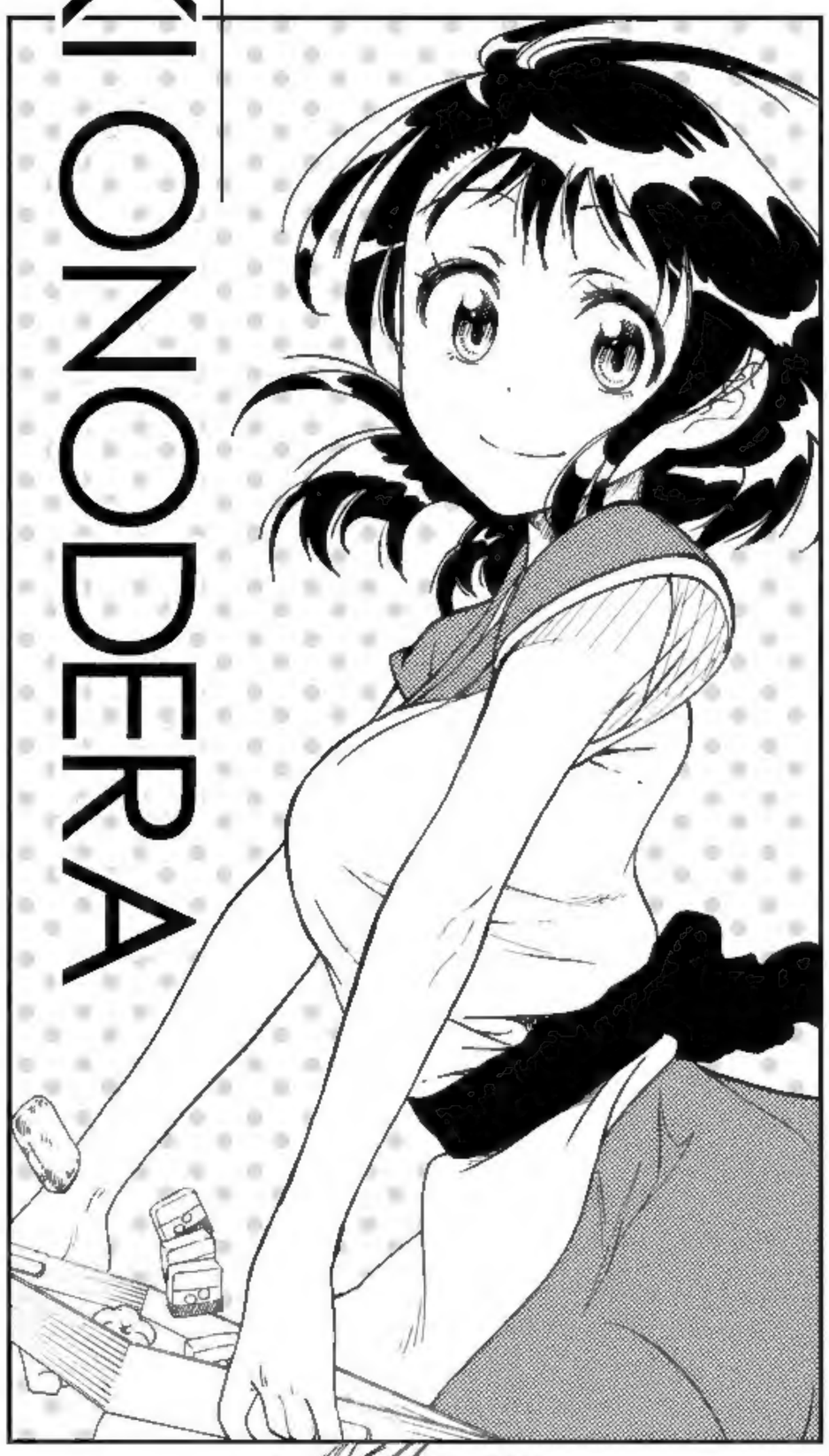
Thanks to family circumstances, Raku is forced into a false relationship with Chitoge, the daughter of a rival gangster, to keep their families from shedding blood. Despite their constant spats, Raku and Chitoge manage to fool everyone. One day, Chitoge discovers an old key, jogging memories of her own first love ten years earlier. Meanwhile, Raku's crush, Kosaki, confesses that she also has a key and made a promise with a boy ten years ago. To complicate matters, Marika Tachibana has a key as well and remembers a promise ten years ago. The mystery keeps getting more complex!

School's out for summer, and Raku and friends go to a fireworks display festival along with Kosaki's younger sister Haru, who has always disliked Raku. When Haru gets lost at the festival, she accidentally overhears a conversation between Maiko and Ruri and finds out the truth about Raku and Chitoge's relationship...



MARIKA TACHIBANA

Daughter of the chief of police, Marika is Raku's fiancée, according to an agreement made by their fathers—an agreement Marika takes very seriously! Also has a key and remembers making a promise with Raku ten years ago.



KOSAKI ONODERA

A girl Raku has a crush on. Beautiful and sweet, Kosaki has no shortage of admirers. She's a terrible cook but makes food that *looks* amazing.

SHU MAIKO

Raku's best friend is outgoing and girl-crazy.

SEISHIRO TSUGUMI

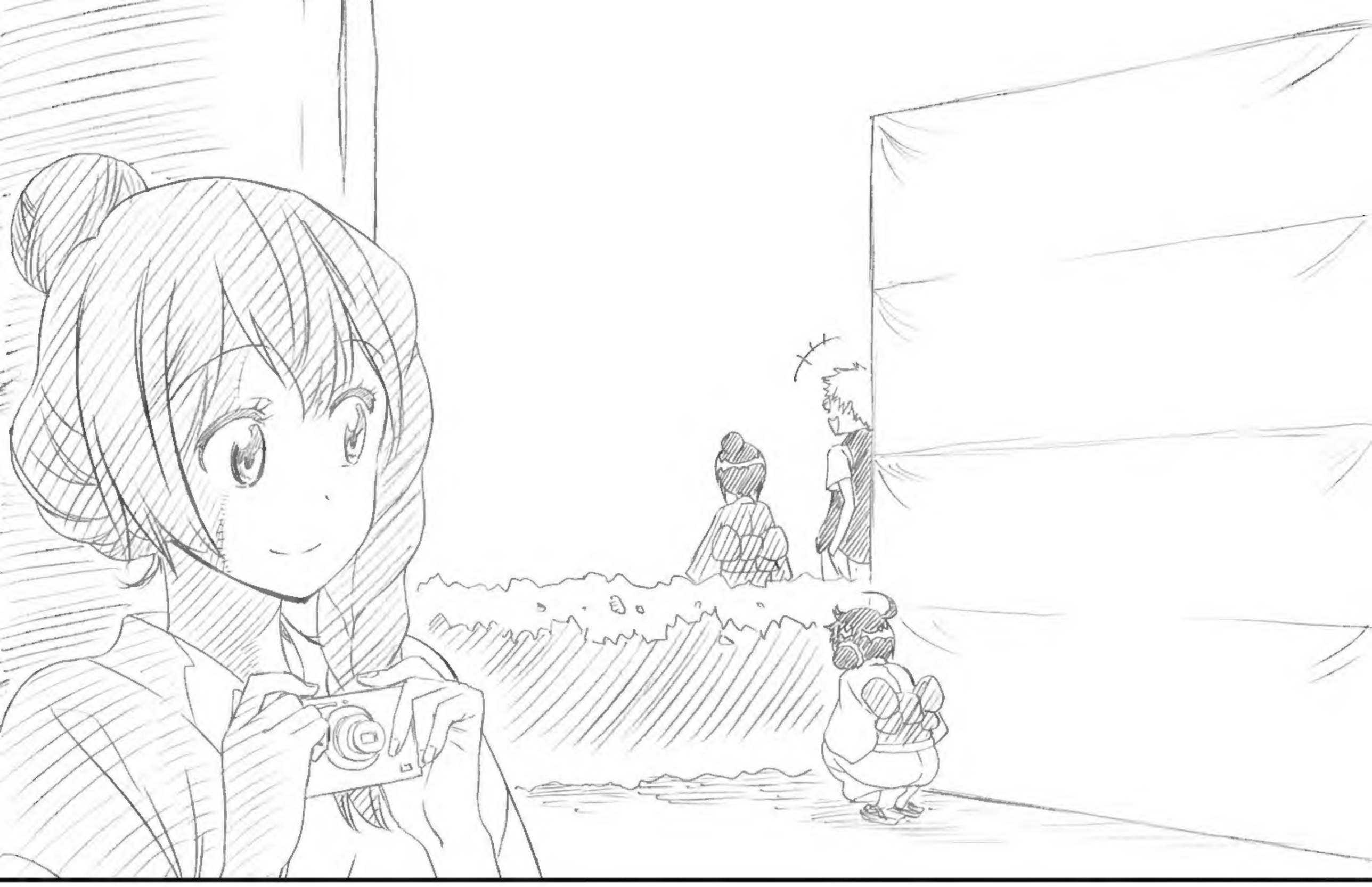
Trained as an assassin in order to protect Chitoge, Tsugumi is often mistaken for a boy.

RURI MIYAMOTO

Kosaki's best gal pal. Comes off as aloof, but is actually a devoted and highly intuitive friend.

HARU ONODERA

Kosaki's adoring younger sister. Has a low opinion of Raku.



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PRETEND-ING TO BE DATING?

BBQ
Apples
Tak-
WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

...!!
WELL, IT'S COMPLI-CATED...
THE THING IS... I MEAN, Y'KNOW ...

THEY'RE JUST FAKING IT?
ICHIJO AND KIRISAKI AREN'T REALLY A COUPLE?
YAKITORI
AFFIRM-ATIVE, CAP'N!
WE'D BETTER GET BACK. THE FIRE-WORKS'LL BE STARTING SOON.

SO WALK AROUND BY YOUR-SELF!
WELL, NOBODY ELSE WANTED TO WALK AROUND WITH ME...
HEY, WHY'RE YOU FOLLOWING ME AROUND, ANYWAY?

NOTH-
ING...

OH...

?

WHAT'S
UP?

WAIT A
SEC...

THAT'S
WHY SHE
WAS
ACTING
SO
FUNNY!

SIS
KNOWS!

HOW MANY
TIMES HAVE
I CURSED
ICHIJO FOR
BEING A
TWO-TIMING
SWINE?!

AUGH
!!

WHAT
HAVE
I
DONE?!

YEP.

THAT WAS HIS FAULT.

It wasn't my fault, anyway!

WELL...

I STILL BLAME HIM FOR SEEING MY UNDIES.

CALLING HIM A SCUMBAG, A SLIMEBALL, A PIG...

I WAS SUPER HARSH!

AND IT TURNS OUT, HE WASN'T DOING ANYTHING WRONG!!

HE AND SIS BOTH LIKE EACH OTHER. IT'S THAT SIMPLE.

GOOD FOR HER!

TEE HEE! ♫

ANYWAY, IT'S GOOD TO KNOW HE ISN'T A JERK AFTER ALL.

I MEAN, I KNOW RAKU'S FAMILY IS YAKUZA, SO THAT MUST BE PART OF IT.

BUT... WHAT'S THIS BUSINESS ABOUT THEIR FAMILIES?

CHFF

HUH?

WAIT A SEC...

WHY DID THAT THOUGHT GIVE ME A WEIRD PANG?

I'm in high school, for Pete's sake!

DON'T TELL ME I'M LOST!

NO...

Okonomiyaki

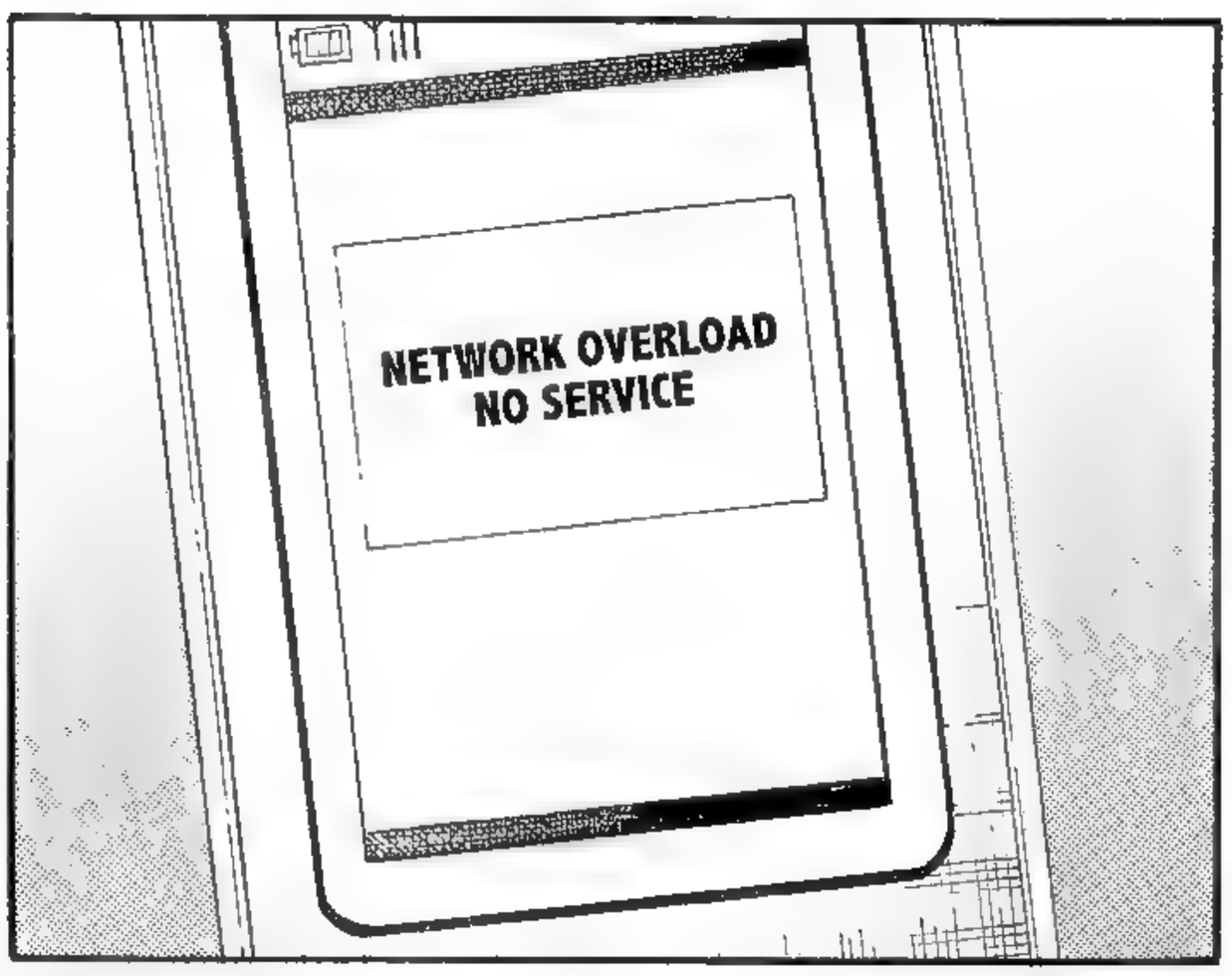
AS LONG AS I HAVE MY PHONE...

I KNOW! MY PHONE!

UH... HOW DID I GET HERE AGAIN?

HEY, WHERE AM I?

Goldfish Scooping



SORRY. THERE WAS A LOT TO SEE...

WHOA!

YOU SURE TOOK LONG ENOUGH!

HEY, GUYS! WE'RE BACK!

HOT DOGS

HOT DOGS

NO, REALLY! I MEAN IT!

YEAH RIGHT, CREEPAZOID. YOU CAN DROP THE ACT.

You look great!

I'M SURPRISED TO SEE YOU IN A YUKATA, THOUGH. I THOUGHT THE SAME THING LAST YEAR.

HEY, NOW!

WHO'S THIS HOTTIE?! LOOK AT YOU, SEISHIRO!

Didn't recognize you!

OOPS!

AREN'T YOU WORRIED ABOUT IT GETTING IN THE WAY OF YOUR BODYGUARD DUTIES?

THE MIS-TRESS INSISTED.

WELL...

...I HAD THIS SLIT SEWN IN FOR EXTRA MOBILITY.

IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENS...

BESIDES, I MADE SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

Ōbanya

OOPS!

LEER LEER

I HOPE SHE'S OKAY.

SPEAKING OF WHICH, WHERE'S RAKU?

OH!! YEAH, WHERE DID HE GO?

I WONDER WHERE SHE WENT...

HEY, FU... HAVE YOU SEEN HARU?

I DON'T KNOW. WE GOT SEPA-RATED...

BASH!!

GAH! YOU TRICKED ME INTO DOING THAT!!

THANKS FOR THE TREAT!!

Takoyaki

Cotton Candy

But then we might all lose each other...

Should we go looking for them?

THIS IS SO SAD. I CAN'T BELIEVE I ENDED UP ALL ALONE!

WHAT A WAY TO SPEND A FESTIVAL!

waah!

RAKU!!

BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM!

WAIT... I HAVE TO STAY STRONG!

I'M TOUGHER THAN THIS!

I WISH MY KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR WERE HERE.

I BET HE'D COME TO MY RESCUE!

OH! WAIT ...

Yakisoba

Shaved Ice

HOW'LL I EVER FIND THEM IN THIS CROWD?

STILL ...

AM I SEEING THINGS, OR IS THAT...

...ICHIJO?

Oden

OH, GOOD! FINALLY!!

HARU!!

HAHH

HAHH

FINALLY ?

HUH?

Chicken

Yaki

HEY, ICHIJOOOO!!

...

FU DID?

WHAT A RELIEF!

I RAN INTO FU A LITTLE WHILE AGO...

...AND SHE ASKED ME TO HELP FIND YOU.

FROM PRETTY FAR AWAY TOO!

THAT WAS PRETTY IMPRESSIVE HOW YOU SPOTTED ME IN THIS CROWD!

You want to watch the fire-works with Ichijo, right?

I THOUGHT I TOLD HER...

DID SHE SET THIS UP ON PURPOSE?!

WAIT!

NOW, SHOULD WE GET BACK TO THE GROUP?

WELL, ANYWAY, THANK YOU.

UH, HERE'S THE THING.

IT WAS JUST A COINCI-DENCE!

THAT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING!

NO!!

Sure... Glad it worked out!

?

I'M SO SORRY.

Forgive me.

WHAT?!

YOU'RE LOST TOO?!

IF ONLY MY PRINCE CHARMING WERE HERE!

SO MUCH FOR SAVING THE DAY!

YEESH!

Of course, I got lost first...

UH, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY.

ARE YOU TELLING ME I'M STUCK SPENDING THE FESTIVAL WITH YOU NOW?!

NOW WHAT'LL WE DO?

Geez, don't sugar-coat it!

HE ISN'T A LYING, CHEATING JERK AFTER ALL. IN THAT CASE...

HMM. IT TURNS OUT ICHIJO ISN'T THE TWO-TIMING SLIME I THOUGHT HE WAS.

THAT'S MY PENDANT !!

PLEASE GIVE IT BACK!

REMEMBER THE GUY WHO SAVED YOU FROM THOSE JERKS WHO WERE HASSLING YOU THE OTHER DAY?

WELL, THAT WAS ME!

WHAT'S UP?

SOMETHING WRONG?

NOTHING... NO...

NO WAY!!

WAIT...

WHAT?

PICK A PRIZE, ANY PRIZE!

SEE THAT RING TOSS BOOTH OVER THERE?

HEY...

RING TOSS

Soup Dumplings

2nd prize

1st prize

THE TEDDY BEAR!

GO ON. JUST PICK SOMETHING.

YOU'RE SO RANDOM!

OKAY, THEN...

TA-DAA

RING TOSS

DING DONG

WE HAVE A GRAND-PRIZE WINNER !!

WHAAAT ?!

KCHING

TAK TAK TAK!!

KAAM!!

Y-YOU WIN AGAIN!!

HYAAH!

AN-OTHER GRAND PRIZE !!

HEH HEH...

JUST A SECRET SKILL OF MINE.

I'm honestly surprised!

HOW'D YOU DO THAT?

THE GRAND PRIZE IN ONE ATTEMPT ?!

WOW !!

I KNOW.

DON'T RUB IT IN.

IT'S JUST LIKE YOU TO BE GOOD AT SOMETHING WITH NO PRACTICAL APPLICATION...

RING TOSS

Look at all this!

WHOA!!

WHO WOULD'VE GUESSED!

I've always wanted one!

WELL... CAN YOU WIN ME A WATER BALLOON YO-YO?

REALLY?

LEAVE IT TO ME!

JUST SO YOU KNOW, I'M A FESTIVAL BOOTH EXPERT!

NOW WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE?

SOMETHING TO DRINK?

SUDDENLY, I'M HAVING FUN.

HEY...

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Strike Out

Uh, nothing.

Huh? For what?

Um, Ichijo? I'm sorry...

IT'S SO WEIRD.

UNTIL JUST RECENTLY...

...I COULDN'T STAND THIS GUY.

CREPES

SHUT UP!!

JUST YOU WAIT!! I'M GONNA CLEAN UP THIS TIME!!

RAFFLE

YOU KEEP LOSING ANYWAY!!

Give it up!

NOT AGAIN!!

GRRR!

SMIRK SMIRK

RAFFLE

ONE MORE TRY, MISTER!!

NOOO!!

HERE!

BWA HA HA HA HA! YOU LOSE AGAIN!!

GAAHH!! ONE MORE TRY!!

SNEAK

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE SHE'S HAVING FUN.

Let's give her space!

I THOUGHT SHE SAID SHE WASN'T INTERESTED IN FESTIVALS!

IT'S PAULA!

OH!

THANK YOU!

I BOUGHT IT FOR YOU BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE IT.

Try it!

A FRIEND OF MINE SELLS 'EM. WE JUST PASSED HIS STAND.

This looks good!

WHAT'S THIS?

I SUSPECTED IT MIGHT APPEAL TO YOUR DISCERNING PALATE!

RIGHT?

You must show me where you got this!!

IT'S DELI-CIOUS!!

I KNOW SPENDING THE EVENING WITH ME IS A DISAPPOINT-MENT.

I MEAN, FESTIVALS ARE A SPECIAL OCCASION.

I WANT YOU TO HAVE FUN.

UM ...

YOU'VE BEEN PAYING FOR EVERY-THING. HOW MUCH DO I OWE YOU?

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

I'M OLDER THAN YOU. I SHOULD TREAT.

HEH HEH HEH

GEE...

HOW CAN I TELL HER I'M BROKE NOW?

DID I OVERDO IT?

HE'S TRYING TO CHEER ME UP!

B-BMP

B-BMP

OH!

BOOM

POP—POP KA-BOOM

MAN, FIRE-WORKS NEVER GET OLD!

BOOM

SHWOOOO

HEY! THE FIREWORKS ARE STARTING!

Modernyaki

Yaki ori

Goldfish Scooping

Taiyaki

HUH?

...ISN'T A DISAPPOINT-MENT.

SPENDING THE EVENING WITH YOU...

KA-BOOM

KRAKLE KRAKLE-KRAKLE

ICHIJO...

I COULDN'T HEAR YOU OVER THE FIRE-WORKS...

BOOM POP

SORRY, WHADJA SAY?

BOOM FOOM

...MY PRINCE CHARMING?

ARE YOU REALLY...

KA-FOOM POPPOPIPOPPA

BOOM

KA-BOOM

SHWOOOO

Good
luck,
Haru!

KA BOOOOOM

POP POP POP POP

BOOM

BOOM

...MY PRINCE CHARMING ?

ARE YOU REALLY...

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...

WHA ...?

KA-FOOM

BA-BANG

OF COURSE NOT!!

N-N-NO WAY!!

Where did that come from?!

I'm kinda worried!

HRM... WHAT'S HE UP TO THESE DAYS?

COME TO THINK OF IT, I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM HIM IN A WHILE.

I TOLD YOU...

HE'S A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE, BUT HE'S GOT SOME BAD DUDES AFTER HIM, SO HE HAS TO LAY LOW.

OH...

ACTUALLY, LAST I HEARD...

...HE WAS HIDING OUT IN PAKISTAN.

BUT HE SAID HE MIGHT COME BACK TO JAPAN SOON. SO MAYBE YOU'LL SEE HIM!

BLAH

BLAH

BLAH

BLAH

ICHIJO...

YOU'RE SO AWKWARD.

Ha ha ha...

AWKWARD? How?

YOU KINDA HURT MY FEELINGS.

I know I can't compete with her, but still!

NO! IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!

WHA ...?

I MEAN, WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE FOOLING?!

YOU ARE.

YOU TOLD MY SISTER HOW GOOD SHE LOOKED IN HER YUKATA, BUT YOU DIDN'T COMMENT ON MINE.

SO I FIGURED I SHOULDN'T RISK IT AGAIN!

THE OTHER DAY WHEN WE WERE SHOPPING AND I COMPLIMENTED HOW YOU LOOKED, YOU GOT MAD AT ME!

HUHR

ICHIJO'S...

...A GREAT GUY.

FIRST THE PRINCE CHARMING THING, AND NOW THIS...

HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT THAT?

HE DOESN'T WORRY ABOUT HIMSELF.

IF SOMEONE'S IN TROUBLE, HE HAS TO HELP THEM.

HE'S ALWAYS THINKING ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE.

...ICHIJO IS!

THAT'S JUST HOW...

KASHOOOOM

ICHIJO...

...?

YOU'RE RIGHT, SIS!

KASHOOOOM

Takoyaki

Okonomiyaki

Shaved Ice

JA

WOW!

THAT WAS A BIG ONE!

Yakisoba 300

Sal

OOOOOH

Wowee!!

Didja see that?

A HEART-SHAPED FIREWORK... PRETTY CHEESY, HUH?

OH!

HEY, D'YOU SUPPOSE THAT WAS THE CUPID'S FLAME THING SHU WAS TALKING ABOUT?

Heh heh...

SHOOO KAFOOM

OOPS, SORRY. I BET YOU WOULDA PREFERRED TO SEE THAT WITH SOMEONE ELSE!

BOOOM

DIDJA SEE IT, HARU?

HARU?

HE'S MY PRINCE CHARMING, AFTER ALL.

WELL, SHEESH. WHAT CHOICE DO I HAVE?

I CAN'T HELP LIKING HIM!

EVERY-THING'S FINE!

IT'S A FESTIVAL! LET'S ENJOY IT!

C'MON, LET'S GO, ICHIJO!

?!

?!

Yakisoba

2oc

HOT D

Ya ba

Grilled Squ

Chicken Nuggets

Taiyaki
BBQ
Grilled Corn

Taiyaki

SHLOOSH

THE FIREWORKS SURE WERE BEAUTIFUL, WEREN'T THEY?

DID YOU WATCH THEM, HARU?

YEP!

Totally!

SORRY, SIS...

IT'S MY FAULT YOU DIDN'T GET TO WATCH THEM WITH ICHIJO.

HA HA! DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!

I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU. I'M GLAD ICHIJO WAS WITH YOU!

WELL...

I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY...

HOW LONG HAS HE HAD IT?

HUH? YEAH...

You noticed?

UM, SIS?

YOU KNOW THAT WEIRD PENDANT ICHIJO HAS?

OH...

RIGHT.

IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO HIM.

BUT SINCE HE WAS A LITTLE KID.

OH...

NO REASON!

I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND DRY OFF NOW! ENJOY!

SPLISH

WHY DO YOU ASK?

WHY DO YOU KEEP ASKING ME THAT?!

HARU!!

WELL, DO YOU?

Answer me!

BLRF?!

SPLOOSH!

SIS? YOU LIKE ICHIJO, RIGHT?

BLRB BLUB BLUB...

(I LIKE HIM.)

SPLISH

HUH?! WHAT?! WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?!

YOU'RE WEIRD, HARU!!

GEEZ!

OKAY, SEE YA!

SHOOP

YEAH.

...I'VE HAD A CRUSH ON ICHIJO ALL THIS TIME?

SO THAT MEANS...

HEE HEE HEE

I'M SUCH A DUMMY.

KCHIK

THAT'S OVER NOW.

BUT...

KCHAM

I WANT TO SUPPORT S/S.

IF THE TWO OF THEM GET TOGETHER...

...I'M SURE I CAN GET OVER IT.

PLIP

BUT I REALLY CARE ABOUT MY SISTER TOO.

I GUESS I HAVE A CRUSH ON ICHIJO...

SNIFFLE

WELL, THAT WAS SHORT-LIVED!

WELCOME!

Japanese Confections
Onodera

HOW'S IT GOING?

HEY THERE!

大福

OH, HI, HARU!

LAST NIGHT SURE WAS FUN, HUH?

YOU GOTTA HELP ME. WE GOT A SUDDEN ORDER FOR TEN DORAYAKI...

At least, I hope you had fun!

Wel-come!

Oh, hi, Ichijo!

DID I DO SOME-THING?!

W-WAIT!! WHY'RE YOU CLOSED?!

UH, HARU?!

WAY TO SPOIL A SERIOUS MOOD WITH YOUR GOOFY FACE!

SHUT UP! YOUR BUSINESS ISN'T WELCOME HERE, ICHIJO!

CLATTER

CLATTER

CLOSED

SLAM-!!

HUH?!

YOU...

YOU...

JUST WHEN I'D DECIDED TO GET OVER YOU...

BAM

BAM

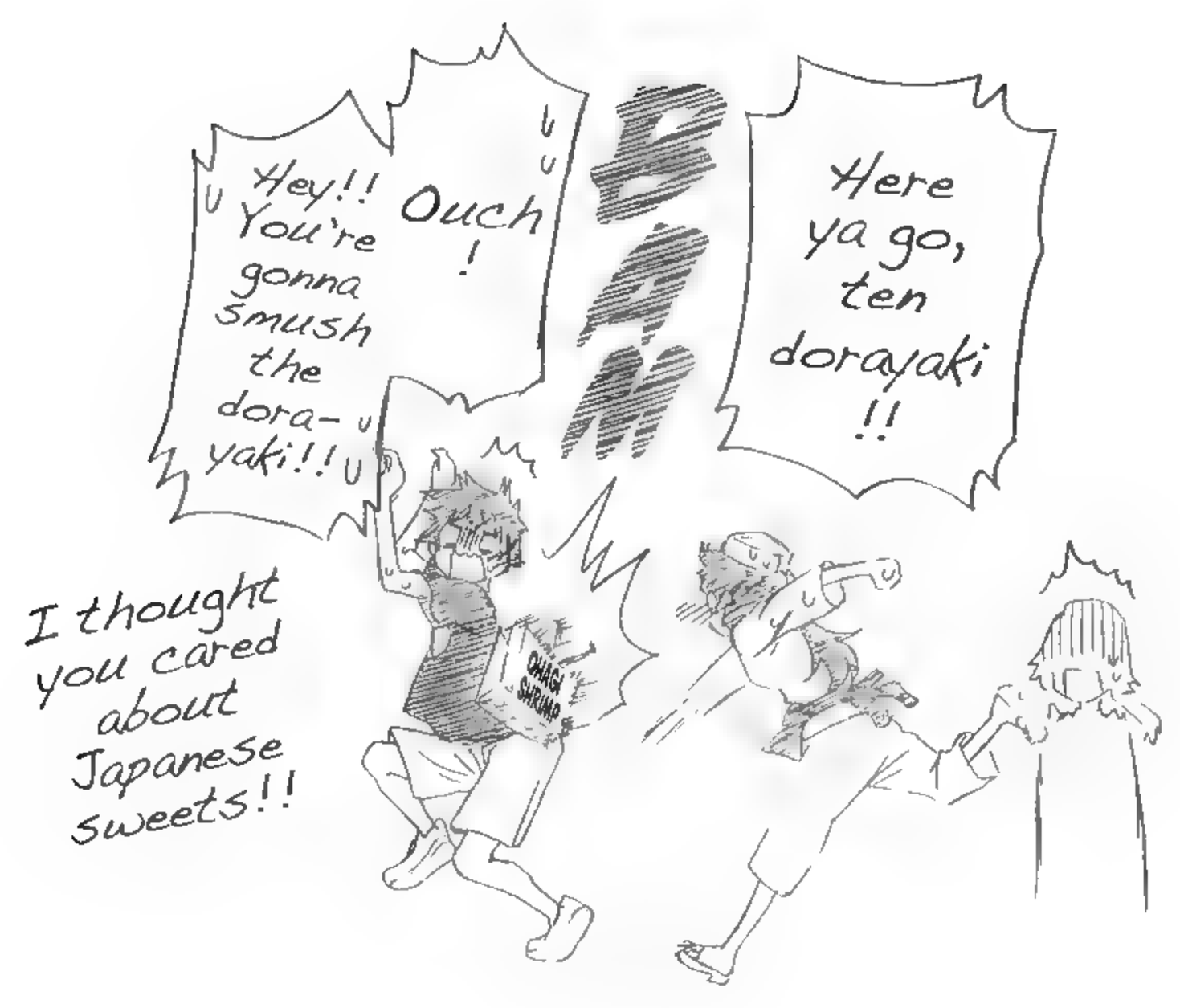
OPEN UP!!

AGH!!

Girls are so weird!

SNIFFLE

Huh?! I thought we were kind of getting along yesterday!


Hey!! You're gonna smush the dora-yaki!!
Ouch!
Here ya go, ten dorayaki!!
I thought you cared about Japanese sweets!!
CHAGI SHRIMP

YOU HEARD ME!

Omodera

HARU, WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?

WHAT ?!

I'M GOING TO THE AQUARIUM WITH MY SISTER TOMORROW.

WANNA JOIN US?

Chapter 110: Outing

FOR REAL?!

...AND WE HAVE AN EXTRA TICKET WE GOT FOR FREE AT THE SHOPPING ARCADE...

BUT I KIND OF OWE YOU ONE FOR FINDING ME AT THE FESTIVAL THE OTHER DAY...

HA HA HA HA HA

LOOK, IT'S NO BIG DEAL OR ANY-THING...

WAIT A SEC...

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

I'M STOKED, BUT I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK!

HARU'S INVITING ME TO HANG OUT WITH HER AND ONODERA?!

W-WHAT THE HECK'S GOING ON?!

WHAAA

AAAAT?

SO, SEE YOU THERE!

BEEP

BOOP

BOOP

OH, HEY, SIS!

THERE YOU HAVE IT!

The aquarium? That was Ichijo on the phone, wasn't it?

WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?

WHAT... JUST NOW...

H-HARU?

DRIP DRIP

What'll I wear?!

Gah! I can't believe you pulled this without asking me!

RELAX!

LOOK, YOU MISSED OUT ON HANGING OUT WITH ICHIJO THE OTHER NIGHT AT THE FIREWORKS, ALL BECAUSE OF ME.

THIS'LL BE A GOOD OPPOR-TUNITY.

WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!

HAVE WHAT? WHAT'S GOING ON?!

YOU TWO CAN THANK ME LATER.

IF SIS AND ICHIJO GET TOGETHER, I'LL BE ABLE TO GET OVER HIM.

BONYARI AQUARIUM

WE'RE HERE!

NO. I JUST GOT HERE.

WERE YOU WAITING LONG?

ACTUALLY, I GOT HERE TWO HOURS EARLY!

LIKE I SAID...

WHISPER

I DON'T GET IT...

HARU, WHAT'RE YOU UP TO, FOR REAL?

I OWED YOU ONE, THAT'S ALL!

FRIENDS? HECK NO!

YOU TWO'LL NEVER GET THINGS OFF THE GROUND ON YOUR OWN!

I'm so glad!

I WASN'T EX-PECTING THIS!

GEE, HARU! I GUESS YOU AND ICHIJO HAVE FINALLY BECOME FRIENDS!

I WAS JUST A LITTLE CARE-LESS THE OTHER DAY, THAT'S ALL!

OH, PUH-LEASE!

THIS PLACE IS REALLY CROWDED!

BY THE WAY, HARU, BE CAREFUL NOT TO GET LOST TODAY!

YAP YAP

THEY'RE BICKER-ING AGAIN!

OH...

IT MUST BE SOME KIND OF TRAP.

THANKS A LOT!!

THIS ISN'T LIKE YOU, HARU.

BUT...

WHAT? DON'T YOU TRUST ME?

...BUT THIS IS THE PERFECT CHANCE FOR THE TWO OF THEM TO GET ALONG BETTER!

Let's do it!

I KNOW! I REALLY APPRECIATE HER DOING THIS FOR ME...

WONDER IF THERE'S ANYTHING I CAN DO...

JUST WHEN I THOUGHT THEY WERE GETTING ALONG BETTER.

HEY, ONODERA...

OH!

DING

WHAT IS IT WITH HER, ANYWAY?

IF I TAKE MY EYES OFF HER FOR A MOMENT, HARU MIGHT GET LOST AGAIN.

C'mon, let's go!

HMM...

BON YA AQU ARU

?!

SH

UP

HUH?!

SHOOP

I'LL JUST SLIP AWAY WHEN THEY'RE NOT LOOKING...

After all, they both like each other!

IF I LEAVE THE TWO OF THEM ALONE, I'M SURE EVERYTHING WILL GO FINE!

Hee hee!

WHAT THE...?!

HEY!!

TA

DA!!

Tee hee...

DON'T MIND US, HARU!

THIS OUGHT TO BRING THEM CLOSER!

YARI RIUM

ICHIJO? SIS?!

What the heck?!

...BUT YOU HAVE A TRACK RECORD FOR GETTING LOST.

DON'T TAKE THIS THE WRONG WAY, HARU...

WHAT'S THE POINT?! I DON'T WANT TO BE BETWEEN THEM!

WHAAAAT?

BESIDES...!

CAN'T I JUST HOLD HANDS WITH YOU, SIS?

NO WAY!! HOW EMBAR-RASSING!

WHAT?! YOU WANT TO GO AROUND LIKE THIS?!

BON

NOPE! WE'VE ALREADY DECIDED!

AGH!

YOU OKAY?

IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE A BIG DEAL AT THE FESTIVAL, BUT...

...HIS HAND FEELS SO WARM!

OH MY GAWD!!

SQUISH—!!

HRM... THE ENTRANCE IS REALLY MOBBED!

SQUEEZE

SHOVE

EEK!

BUMP

IT'S MUCH BETTER IN HERE!

PHEW! WE ESCAPED!

HAHH

HAHH

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE BEING SQUISHED TOGETHER LIKE THIS!!

THIS ISN'T WHAT I HAD IN MIND!

SKWEE

C'MON... GET CLOSER... CLOSER!!

Bonyari Aquarium

OKAY!

PHOTO TIME!

GLEAM

FOR REAL?!

NOW, PUT YOUR ARM AROUND HER!

CASIO

THAT'S RIGHT...EVEN CLOSER!

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU TWO? GET CLOSER!

INCH

INCH

Bunyun? A

HUDDLE

?

I GOT SOME GOOD ONES!

COOL.

Hee hee hee

OKAY ...

YOUR TURN, HARU!

HUH?!

JUST TAKE IT!!

NO!!

You're not in the frame...

CAN YOU GET A LITTLE CLOSER?

HARU...

Tee hee hee

NOT YET.

CLAP CLAP

WOW

CLAP

CLAP

CAN WE STOP HOLDING HANDS?

Isn't it enough?

HEY...

SPLOOSH

SPLISH

SPLASH

STEP RIGHT UP, YOU TWO!

AH! A YOUNG COUPLE!

BLRFF!!

Oh! Want me to go in-stead?

WAIT HERE.

I'LL GO GET US SOMETHING TO DRINK.

LET'S SEE ...

WE'LL NEED VOLUN-TEERS FROM THE AUDI-ENCE.

GLANCE GLANCE

OKAY! FOR OUR NEXT TRICK...

Sorry, Haru!

WE'LL JUST HAVE TO GO WITH IT.

WELL, THERE'S NO USE ARGUING.

WE'RE NOT A COUPLE !!

I GUESS SO...

WHAT ?!

WHO, US?!

OKAY, EVERYBODY! LET'S HAVE A BIG HAND FOR THE TWO YOUNG LOVEBIRDS!

GEE...

B-BMP

B-BMP

THEY THINK WE'RE A COUPLE!

WHEN I GIVE THE SIGNAL, YOU HOLD UP THESE FLAGS AND RU THE DOLPHIN WILL DO A JUMP!

HOLD THESE FLAGS, PLEASE!

It's easy!

Why couldn't it be the two of them?!

WHY DID THIS HAPPEN WHEN SIS WAS AWAY?!

W-WAIT! NOT YET!!

SHF!

W-WHAT'RE YOU DOING?

H-HEY!

SHF!

Huh?

SKWEE

OKAY, YOU TWO... HOLD HANDS!

JOLT

BLUSH

SPLOOSH

ARE YOU OKAY?! YOU'RE DRENCHED!

What happened?!

WE'RE OKAY...

WHY ME?!

DRIP

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE TWO OF YOU?!

HUH?

WHAT AM I DOING?

THIS ISN'T HOW I PLANNED IT AT ALL!

RUB

OH! THIS ONE'S EVEN MORE AMAZING!

TAKTAKTAK

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL AQUARIUM!

OH!

WOW! YOU'RE RIGHT!

IT'S BEAUTI-FUL!

ISN'T THIS ONE AWESOME?

CHECK IT OUT.

HARU!

LOOK AT THIS!

B-BMP

THIS DISPLAY'S AWESOME, TOO!

OH, WOW!!

YEAH, I KNOW EXACTLY HOW YOU FEEL!

They're awesome!!

MAN. I COULD LOOK AT THESE TROPICAL FISH ALL DAY!

Aren't they soothing?

SHEESH.

I'M DOING THIS FOR SIS, NOT ME!

-GLURB!

HEY, I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THE ONE HAVING FUN HERE!!

It took me less than a minute to start enjoying myself!

WaaaaaAaaaaH!

I took a peek at the gift shop. They have stuff you can wear.

Really?

Anything you think Haru would like?

THE WHOLE POINT WAS FOR ME TO GIVE UP ON HIM.

THIS IS GOOD.

SEEMS LIKE WE OFTEN LIKE THE SAME THINGS.

NO WONDER HE LIKES SIS!

Tee hee!

I LIKE IT, ANYWAY...

OH!

I BET ICHIJO WOULD LOVE THIS TANK...

I HAVE TO STOP THINKING ABOUT HIM!

NO.

I WONDER...

...IF ICHIJO WOULD COME LOOKING FOR ME.

MAYBE I SHOULD JUST HEAD HOME.

IF I JUST DISAPPEAR, THOUGH, THEY MIGHT WORRY...

We only took our eyes off you for a moment!

WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO LEARN NOT TO WANDER OFF LIKE THAT?!

HARU!

NO. DON'T BE GLAD!

THERE YOU ARE!!

I HAVE TO FORGET HIM!

BUT...

YOU SHOULD HANG OUT WITH MY SISTER!

I JUST WANTED TO LOOK AT THIS STUFF.

DON'T WORRY.

WHY'S HE SO NICE TO ME?

THE THING IS, SHE...

ICHIJO...

ABOUT MY SISTER...

LOOK HERE!

WELL, NEVER MIND THAT...

Hrmm...

CHECK THESE OUT!!

TA-DAA!

WE FOUND THEM AT THE GIFT SHOP.

THIS IS A KUZU-MOCHI SHARK...

THIS ONE'S A MITARASHI WHALE...

AND THIS HERE...

WHAAAT?!

WHAT A HILARIOUS IDEA, RIGHT?

THEY'RE KEY CHAINS BASED ON SEA CREATURES DECORATED LIKE JAPANESE SWEETS!

AREN'T THEY RIGHT UP YOUR ALLEY?

GO ON... TAKE ONE!

GRIN

OH, HONESTLY!

HA HA...

...SUCH A DORK!

THANKS.

YES, THEY ARE.

Here!

Pick what you want!

HE REALLY IS...

I DON'T WANT THIS STUPID THING!!

THAT STUPID JERK!

SPARKLE

AAAA

AAAA

AAAA

NEXT TIME, I REALLY AM GIVING UP ON HIM!

AH-

CHOO!

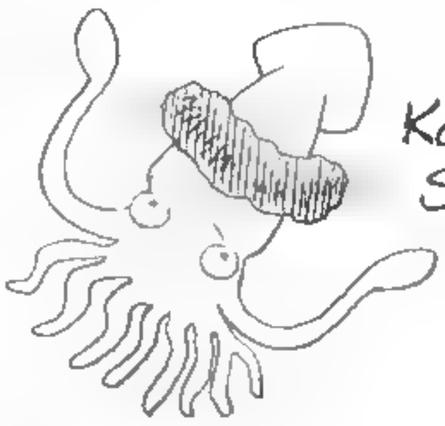
Japanese Confections
Onodera

SQUEEZE!

☆ In the other boxes... ☆

Ohagi Shrimp

Uiro Jellyfish



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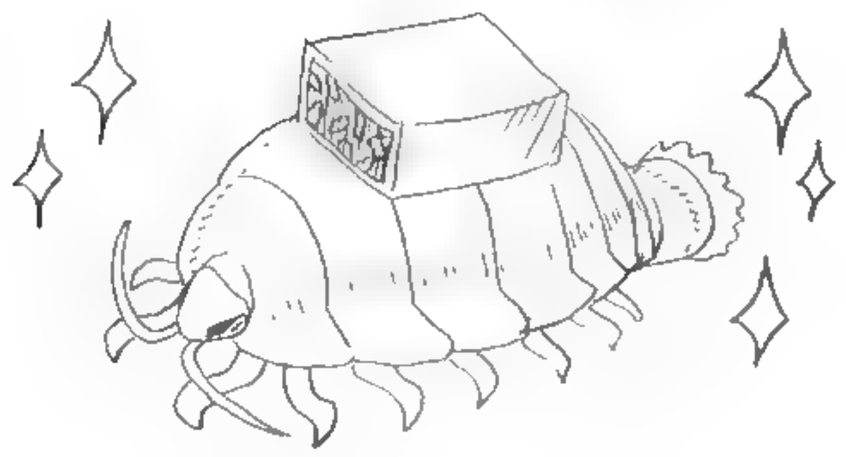

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I'M HOME! YAY, I CAN DO WHAT-EVER I WANT!

REMEMBER, WE HAVE SCHOOL TOMORROW EVEN THOUGH IT'S THE WEEKEND.

DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR ALARM!

I KNOW, I KNOW.

HAVE I EVER FORGOTTEN?

THAT'S WHAT YOU ALWAYS SAY!

OH...!

WHAT'S THIS?

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...I'M GETTING A REALLY BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS...

HMM... I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT...

I don't know who it belongs to, but I'll just help myself ...

I WAS JUST CRAVING SOME-THING SWEET...

GUMMY CANDY! MM, THEY LOOK GOOD!

GASP

WHY NOT, BLACK TIGER?

EEP!

DON'T TOUCH THAT CON-TAINER!!

W-WAIT, PAULA!!

BUT THIS IS OBVIOUSLY JUST CANDY!

ARE YOU SURE?

I'VE GOTTEN INTO TROUBLE THAT WAY NUMEROUS TIMES!

WHEN YOU FIND A MYSTERIOUS OBJECT IN THIS HOUSE, YOU SHOULD NEVER TOUCH IT!

SIGH...

I'LL HAVE TO ASK CLAUDE ABOUT IT LATER...

ABSOLUTELY, POSITIVELY, CROSS YOUR HEART AND HOPE TO DIE, STICK A NEEDLE IN YOUR EYE!!!

OKAY, OKAY! I GET IT!!

LISTEN TO ME. DON'T TOUCH THOSE!

LEAVE THEM ALONE, I TELL YOU!

SHEESH. OH, ALL RIGHT.

DIIING

DOOONG

GRIN

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL, ANYWAY?

MAYBE BLACK TIGER JUST WANTED TO HOG THEM ALL FOR HERSELF?

Heh heh...

How dumb does she think I am?

HEY, IT'S HUMAN NATURE TO WANT TO DO SOMETHING WHEN SOMEBODY FORBIDS IT!

TEE HEE!

RRRRRING

WHAT'S BLACK TIGER DOING OVER THERE?

THAT'S WEIRD...

NOM

HMM?

BLACK...

TIIIII...

STILL HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO REACH CLAUDE...

HMM...

VOOOOOSH

GERRRRR!!

PET ME!

HUH?!

WH-WHAT'S GOING ON?

P-PAULA?!

BLACK TIGER...

I'M BEG-GING YOU...

RIGHT NOW...

WHAT'S COME OVER YOU?!

W-WHAT'S GOING ON?!

KYUN

YOU'RE SO MACHO, BLACK TIGER...

W-WAIT A SEC...

PLEASE, BLACK TIGER! PET ME, PLEASE!

Tee hee hee...

AFTER I WARNED YOU...

WHA..?!

YOU ATE ONE, DIDN'T YOU?!

ROLL

HUH?

USE WITH EXTREME CAUTION. INGESTION CAUSES THE SUBJECT TO FALL IN LOVE WITH THE FIRST PERSON THEY SEE.

GUMMY CANDY LOVE DRUG—

THIS PRODUCT IS A PROTOTYPE OF THE BEEHIVE DRUG DEVELOPMENT DIVISION.

WHAT DID THEY DO TO PAULA?

I KNEW THESE WERE TROUBLE!

SHF

HMM ?

INSTRUC-TIONS?

SWF

FROM OUR DRUG DEVELOPMENT DIVISION?! IS THIS A JOKE?!

A L-L-LOVE DRUG?!

2-C

AND I STILL CAN'T REACH CLAUDE...

The number is unavail-able. Please try again..

Black Tiiiger ...

RATS! IT DOESN'T SAY HOW TO REVERSE THE EFFECTS.

GRB GRB

CALM DOWN, ALL RIGHT?

C'mon!

SKWEEZ

BLACK TIGER... PAY ATTENTION TO ME!

TEE HEE HEE

I'D BETTER MAKE SURE NOBODY ELSE EATS THIS CANDY...

AGH! WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO ME?!

ALIGH! SIMMER DOWN!!

BLACK TIGER BLACK TIGER BLACK TIGER!! I NEED YOU!!

LURCH

TONK!

AAAAGH!!

KSHAA KSHAA

CAN I HAVE ONE?

MMM, GUMMY CANDY!

NO!!

M-MISTRESS?!

SWIPE

OH NO!

SCOOP SCOOP

...

TSUGUMI...

REEE EEE

CHOMP

WHAT?

W-WAIT, MIS-TRESS!!

D-DON'T...

I JUST WANT TO GOBBLE YOU UP!!

WOW, YOU'RE REALLY ADORABLE!

Tee hee!

MISTRESS!! GET AHOLD OF YOURSELF!!

SW OON

OH NOOOO!!

WOW, YOU'RE SO CUTE. ♡

Tee hee!

?!!

MAY I HAVE ONE?

THESE LOOK DELICIOUS, TSUGUMI!

CHOMP

PLUCK

WHAT'LL I DO?!

NOW I'VE DONE IT!!

OH!!

WHY, THE STRANGEST SENSATION IS COMING OVER ME!

OH, MY!

WORMP

SNUGGLE SNUGGLE

WHY AM I FEELING LIKE THIS?

VREEEE

EEE

MARIKA TACHI-BANA!!

NOT YOU TOO!!

OH, COME NOW!

DON'T BE LIKE THAT!

IT WAS ONLY ONE LITTLE PIECE!

...DEAR-EST...

DEAR-EST!

TSU...

...

TSU-GUMI...

EX-CUSE ME...

TSUGUMI ?

IN ANY CASE, I'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE NOBODY ELSE TOUCHES THESE!

SKWEE!

WOW... SHE'S SURPRIS-INGLY TOUGH...

She's resisting the drug!

A DEVIL AND AN ANGEL WITHIN ME ARE RAGING A FEROCIOUS BATTLE!

AUGH!

WHAT AM I SAYING?!

HRRRG?!

SHAKA SHAKA SHAKA

SPIT THAT OUT!! QUICK!!

W-WAIT, ONODERA!!

GULP

HUH?

NOT ONODERA TOO!!

Everyone really likes gummy candy!!

I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND.

THE CANDY ON YOUR DESK LOOKED SO GOOD, I HELPED MYSELF TO ONE.

SORRY ...

BLUSH BLUSH

CHOMP

I'M HAVING SOME TROUBLE WITH MY HOMEWORK. WOULD YOU MIND HELPING ME?

EXCUSE ME, TSU-GUMI...

HUH?!

ONO-DERA?

O...

∞

VRRR

ER... ONO-DERA?!

ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE...

I'M PRETTY SURE I GOT THE FORMULA RIGHT, BUT...

STROKE~

TREMBLE

YEEK ?!

JOLT

CARESS

EEP!!

HMM?

YOU WERE SAYING?

YIKES!! WHAT'S WITH THE BEDROOM EYES?!

SHEESH... HOW COME MY HEART'S POUNDING?! WE'RE BOTH GIRLS!!

B-BMP

ONODERA ISN'T USUALLY THIS TOUCHY-FEELY...

THE DRUG MUST'VE WORKED ON HER TOO!

B-BMP

HEY, TSUGUMI!

JOLT!!

WHAT AM I THINKING?! HOW COULD I EVEN THINK THAT?!

AUGH!!

NO, NO, NO!!

IF RAKU ICHIJO SWAL-LOWED ONE OF THESE...

THIS LOVE DRUG IS DANGER-OUS!

SMACK!

SURE. TAKE IT.

GIVE THAT TO ME, YOU IDIOT!!

AUGH!!

I FOUND THIS CANDY ON THE FLOOR.

IS IT YOURS?

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE...

HAHH

HAHH

HAHH

Sheesh. You don't have to get mad about it.

VREEEEEEEE

?

OH NO!!

GULP!

UWAH

CAN WE HAVE A LITTLE CHAT?

OH, TSUGUMIIII!!

ULP!!

?!

?!

ER... UM... ER...

B-BMP

B-BMP

YOU LOOK KINDA PALE...

HEY... WHAT'S UP?

FWOOM

AIIEEE!!

KRAKLE KRAKLE KRAKLE

WORMP

TSU-GUMI ?

Tsu... Tsugumi?!

HUH?!

AAAAAUGH!!

DO YOU HAVE A FEVER?

WAIT, NOW YOUR FACE IS BRIGHT RED!!

JOLT

OH...

OH...

I KNOW WHAT IT WAS.

NO...

SKWEE

W-WHAT WAS I DOING?!

WHAT WAS I...

HAHH... HAHH...

I REALLY WANT TO HOLD RAKU ICHIJO!!

WHAT'S THIS COM-PULSION I'M EXPERI-ENCING?

B-BMP

B-BMP

SKWEEZ !!

I WAS ABOUT TO THROW MY ARMS AROUND HIM!!

NOOO OOOO!

HE WAS LOOKING SO HOT!!

Heya, Tsugumi!

AUGH!! WHAT AM I THINKING?!

AM I IN LOVE WITH HIM?!

IS THIS THE EFFECT OF THE LOVE DRUG?

BUT... HUFF HUFF

HAVE TO DEAL WITH THIS RATIONALLY...

I HAVE TO CALM DOWN...

OH!

OR THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT I MIGHT DO...

I'D BETTER JUST STAY AWAY FROM HIM TODAY.

HAHH

HAHH

I HAVE TO COOL OFF...

IT'S JUST THE DRUG!! THAT'S ALL!!

AUGH!! NO, NO, NO, NO!!

HEY! WAIT UP!!

GET ME OUTTA HERE!!

SHOOP

NOOOOOOOOO!!

THERE YOU ARE!

ARE YOU OKAY? ARE YOU SICK OR SOMETHING?

YOU MUST REALLY BE SICK.

I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU RUN INTO A WALL BEFORE.

AAAGH... OUR BODIES...

We're touch-ing!!

KA-FWAM!

Nurse's Office

GEEZ!

WE'RE ALL ALONE TOGETHER !!

There.

KREAK

WELL, ANYWAY, YOU'D BETTER LIE DOWN.

THERE'S NOBODY HERE.

Where's the nurse?

HMM.

I'M OVERCOME BY YEARNING, BY MELANCHOLY... I FEEL LIKE I'M GOING TO LOSE MY MIND!

LET'S TAKE YOUR TEMPERA-TURE...

NO!! I CAN BARELY CONTAIN MY URGES!! JUST THE SIGHT OF HIS FACE MAKES MY HEART RACE!! HIS VOICE MAKES MY BODY TREMBLE!!

B-BMP

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B-BMP

BUT WHY...

...DOES IT FEEL FAMILIAR SOMEHOW?

I'VE NEVER FELT THIS WAY BEFORE.

THIS MUST BE LOVE...

BUT... WHY DOESN'T IT FEEL WRONG?

WHY DO I WANT TO GIVE IN TO IT?

I'VE NEVER BEEN IN LOVE...

IT'S ALL THE DRUG'S FAULT!!

I DON'T KNOW THIS FEELING!!

NO, NO, NO!!

HMM?

...HOW WOULD I FEEL?

IF I COULD TOUCH HIS BACK RIGHT NOW...

SHOOP

HEALTHY TIPS!

...!

JUST BE STILL.

I CAN'T HELP IT.

SHH...

TSU-GUMI ...?!

H-HUH?!

?!!

BEEP

FIRST MESSAGE ...

YOU HAVE ONE NEW MESSAGE.

JOLT

HUH?!

KTUNK

BEEP

JUST THIS ONCE...

IT'S THE DRUG'S FAULT.

?!!

?!!

SHH

BEEP
You have no more mes-sages.
IF YOU FIND THEM, LET ME KNOW.
TEN MINUTES ...?
HUH?
I WAS GOING TO THROW THEM OUT... THE EFFECTS ONLY LAST TEN MINUTES, SO THEY AREN'T REALLY VERY USEFUL.
IT'S A LOVE DRUG DEVELOPED BY THE BEEHIVE.
THEY ABSOLUTELY DO NOT LAST MORE THAN TEN MINUTES.
SEISHIRO? I'M SORRY I MISSED YOUR CALLS.
DID YOU SEE A CON-TAINER OF GUMMY CANDY IN THE FOYER?
CLAUDE ?
A LOVE DRUG? WHAT?
WHAT WAS THAT?
IT'S BEEN LONGER THAN TEN MINUTES...
I dunno ...
What came over us today?
WHAAAA?!
Why meeee?!!
KaPOW!!
FORGET THIS HAPPENED !!

JOLT!
Paula... Come over here a minute...

Chapter 112: Steps

NISEKOI

False Love

I HUMBLY BESEECH YOUR ADVICE...

MISTRESS MARIKA...

SINCE WHEN IS THAT MY TITLE?!

MY DOG.

ALLOW ME TO PRESENT MIGISUKE...

SINCE I'M GUESSING 100 PERCENT OF OUR READERS HAVE FORGOTTEN WHO YOU ARE...

COM-MANDER OF THE FIRST DIVISION POLICE RIOT SQUAD

I'M IN LOVE.

ACTU-ALLY...

WELL, ISN'T THIS A SUR-PRISE.

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

WELL...

PLEASE, LISTEN!

SHOOP

Jump

I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT ROMANCE...

I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO APPROACH A WOMAN!

HYAR HAR HAR HAR!

I'VE ONLY BEEN IN ALL-BOYS SCHOOLS.

AND I'VE ONLY EVER HUNG OUT WITH GUYS!

I'VE NEVER FELT THIS WAY BEFORE!

I'M DEEPLY SERIOUS ABOUT THIS!

HMM.

I GET THE IMPRESSION THAT YOU'RE AN EXPERT AT MATTERS OF THE HEART...

PLEASE, MISTRESS... I HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO TURN!

UM, MISTRESS?

YOU MIXED UP WHAT YOU SHOULD THINK AND WHAT YOU SHOULD SAY...

I think I'm gonna cry... U U U

VERY WELL. I SHALL HELP YOU! ♡

GRIN♡

I GUESS I COULD FIND IT IN ME TO GIVE YOU SOME HALF-HEARTED ADVICE...

...BUT IT'S KIND OF NICE TO BE CONSIDERED AN EXPERT.

WELL, I REALLY COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT YOUR LOVE LIFE...

TING

SIGH...

SO, WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?

UM... IF YOU COULD DISGUISE YOUR DISGUST JUST A LITTLE ... U U

I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M WASTING MY TIME ON THIS...

WHAT A HASSLE.

I NEED TO KNOW HOW TO APPROACH HER...

WELL... U

WHAAAT?!

YOU WANT LOVE ADVICE? WELL, I'VE GOTCHA COVERED! ☆

LET'S GO, MIGISUKE!!

Now you're scaring me!

SHOOP

HMM?

MIS-TRESS?

SO YOU SEE...

OH...

Why me?

WON'T YOU PLEASE ASSIST ME, RAKU DEAREST?

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT LIKE IT'S NO BIG DEAL!?

A tracking device?! Where?!

NOW, ALLOW ME TO INTRO-DUCE YOU TWO...

OH, I PLANTED A TRACKING DEVICE ON YOU.

WAIT... HOW DID YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHERE TO FIND ME?

B-BMP

YOU'RE THAT ICHIJO KID!

OH!

THE GUY FROM THE DINER!!

I REMEM-BER YOU...

HEY...

I'VE LOOKED AFTER THE MISTRESS SINCE SHE WAS LITTLE.

MY NAME IS MIGISUKE AIBA.

SEEMS LIKE A REASON-ABLE GUY...

PHEW...

THAT'S A RELIEF!

Plus, being the son of a yakuza leader is no crime.

BESIDES, YOU'RE MISTRESS MARIKA'S BETROTHED, RIGHT?

HEY, DON'T WORRY.

I'M NOT INTERESTED IN POLICING IN MY OFF-HOURS.

SOUNDS MORE LIKE A DOORMAT TO ME!

I'M LIKE HER BIG BROTHER, YOU MIGHT SAY!

HAHA!

I TAKE HER SHOP-PING...

...DRIVE HER AROUND...

...RUN AND BUY PASTRIES WHEN SHE WANTS ONE...

OH, COME NOW. LET'S DO A GOOD DEED!

HEY! WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?!

IS THAT SO! WELL, I WOULD EXPECT NOTHING LESS OF THE MISTRESS'S BE-TROTHED!

?!

WHAAAAT?!

HE AND I WILL TEACH YOU EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT LOVE TODAY!

RAKU DEAREST IS AN EXPERT IN ROMANCE!

I WANT YOU TO TRY ASKING ME OUT ON A DATE.

WHAT ?!

ALL RIGHT, MIGI-SUKE.

HMM.

SO... WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?

WELL... HOW DO I START A CONVERSATION WITH A LADY?

ALL RIGHT... I'LL TRY.

NOW, GIVE IT EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT!

YES. WE NEED TO ASSESS YOUR SKILL LEVEL.

ASK YOU... ON A DATE?!

HRGH ?!

NEXT SUNDAY, WOULD YOU LIKE...

EXCUSE ME...

KRRR

YOU EXPECT A WEAK APPROACH LIKE THAT TO WORK?!

HUH?

WAS I...THAT BAD?!

TRR'S

K FAIL!!

YOU FAILED, MIGI-SUKE!

RHR

THAT CHEAP LINE WON'T GET YOU ANYWHERE!

A WOMAN WANTS STRONGER WORDS!

SEE HERE, MIGI-SUKE!

A WOMAN PERPETUALLY AWAITS THE PASSIONATE WOOING OF A DASHING SUITOR...

I'M TOTALLY UN-PREPARED FOR THIS!

UH... UM...

Why me?!

WHAT?!

RAKU DEAREST, INVITE ME TO GO ON A DATE!

NOW, WE'LL GIVE YOU A DEMO.

...YOU'D LIKE TO...

THAT WAS FAST!!

I WOULD LOVE TO! ♡

ER, TACHI-BANA?

I WAS WONDERING IF THIS WEEKEND...

I'M SOR-RY!

OH... I DIDN'T REALIZE.

POOR GUY...

YOU'RE TOTALLY CLUE-LESS!

YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND BECAUSE YOUR SKILL LEVEL IS SO LOW!

ER, WELL... I'M NOT SURE I UNDER-STAND THE DIFFER-ENCE...

DID YOU SEE THAT, MIGISUKE? THAT WAS PERFECT!

THAT WAS TOO FAST!! I DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A CHANCE TO...

Heh heh..

PHYSICAL CONTACT ?

PHYSICAL CONTACT!

AFTER YOU INVITE A WOMAN ON A DATE, THE NEXT STEP IS...

NOW, ON TO THE NEXT STEP.

I'VE HEARD RUMORS THAT TOUCHING AN UNMARRIED WOMAN CAN GET HER PREGNANT!

ARE YOU IN ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOL?!

B-B-BUT...

OF COURSE. HURRY UP.

NOW, MIGI-SUKE...

MAKE CONTACT WITH ME, SMOOTHLY AND NATURALLY.

Y-YOU WANT ME TO TOUCH YOU?!

WHAT?!

SHUP!

SHUP

SHP

WELL, ALL RIGHT...

YOU AIN'T EVER GONNA SATISFY A WOMAN WITH THAT WEAK TOUCHIN'!

YOU FAILED AGAIN, MIGI-SUKE!

FAIL!!

NOW, RAKU DEAREST, SHOW HIM HOW IT'S DONE!

WAIT A MINUTE!!

A REAL MAN CAN EXPRESS HIS LOVE WITHOUT SPEAKING!

TOUCH IS HOW WE COMMUNICATE LOVE WITHOUT WORDS!

WOMEN YEARN FOR WARMTH!

WAS THIS HER PLAN ALL ALONG?!

STRONG AND DECISIVE!

YOU KNOW...

YOU'RE SETTING AN EXAMPLE HERE. SO DON'T PUSSYFOOT AROUND.

REMEMBER...

NGH...

I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE EXPECTS ME TO JUST DO THIS!!

For crying out loud...

OH, GEEZ. HOW AND WHERE AM I SUPPOSED TO TOUCH HER?!

B-BMP B-BMP

MISTRESS!!

FWUMP

WOO HOO!!

PAT

PAT

WHAT AM I DOING?!

I'M NOT SURE I GET IT, BUT OKAY!

THAT WAS THE CORRECT APPROACH ?!

OH!

HE JUST GAVE ME SO MUCH LOVE...

TEE HEE!

DID YOU SEE THAT, MIGISUKE? THAT WAS IT!!

PRO-POSING MARRIAGE ?!

PRO-POSING MARRIAGE !

TA—DAA!

THIS BRINGS US TO THE FINAL STEP.

KOFF...

WHICH IS...

BE A DEAR AND DEMONSTRATE FOR OUR FRIEND.

NOW, RAKU DEAR-EST...

C'mon, baby!

SHE'S ENJOYING THIS WAY TOO MUCH!

YOU THINK YOU SHOULD GET TO KNOW HER BETTER FIRST? DON'T GIVE ME THAT KINDER-GARTEN NONSENSE!

YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF, MIGISUKE!

PROPOSING MARRIAGE IS THE ULTIMATE EXPRESSION OF LOVE!

BUT... UH... MIS-TRESS...

I'M NOT SURE I'M READY TO...

OH, GREAT! SHE'S RAISING THE STAKES ON ME!!

HAHH HAHH

SOMETHING MORE DRAMATIC!

AND NONE OF THIS NAMBY-PAMBY "WILL YOU MARRY ME" BUSINESS.

WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO HERE?!

"A REAL MAN CAN EXPRESS HIS LOVE WITHOUT SPEAKING!"

SHP

...

LIKE THIS?

MISTRESS!!

BLOOF

WAAAH!!

MAY I CALL YOU "BIG BROTHER"?

PLEASE DON'T !!

I'VE GOT IT!!

OKAY!

THAT... THAT WAS IT.

BLRG... DID YOU SEE THAT, MIGISUKE?

A PLATINUM-ISH SILVER RING WITH A SPARKLING DIAMOND...

WHERE'D THAT COME FROM?!

OHH! I CAN SEE IT!!

BLISS

I SHALL GO TO MY BELOVED IMMEDI-ATELY!!

Thank you so much!

SHOOP

YES, MIS-TRESS!

NOW, MIGI-SUKE...

WE'VE TAUGHT YOU EVERY-THING WE CAN.

THE REST IS UP TO YOU.

YOU'RE REALLY ENJOYING THIS, AREN'T YOU?

NOW...

LET'S FOLLOW HIM, RAKU DEAREST !!

HONDA'S HIS BELOVED?!

MAY I HAVE A WORD?

ER... UM...

Isn't that your body-guard?

HONDA!

RUB RUB

?!

WOULD YOU...

THIS WEEK-END...

ER... UM...

MARRY ME?!

SHOOP

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

HUH?

ER...

HUH?

SHOONK

KA

FWAM!

POOR GUY...

WELL ...

SOMETIMES THAT HAPPENS.

ER...

IT DIDN'T GO WELL...

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NISEKOI

False Love

...MISTRESS RURI?

PLEASE... ISN'T THERE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO...

?

IN ANY CASE, YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER IS 100 THIS YEAR. HE MIGHT NOT BE AROUND MUCH LONGER.

REMINDS ME OF A CERTAIN CLASSMATE OF MINE.

...I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU NOT TO CALL ME "MISTRESS"!

FIRST OF ALL...

AND HOW MANY TIMES HAS HE PULLED THIS "FINAL WISH BEFORE DYING" BUSINESS?!

I DON'T HAVE A BOYFRIEND.

HIS LAST WISH IS TO SEE YOU WITH YOUR BOYFRIEND BEFORE HE DIES!

WELL, I DON'T!

YOU'RE IN HIGH SCHOOL, AFTER ALL. I'M SURE YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND OR TWO BY NOW!

PLEASE, MIS-TRESS ...

HE WANTS TO SEE YOUR BOY-FRIEND'S FACE...

...OR HE'LL CALL YOU EVERY DAY FOR 100 DAYS-ONCE FOR EACH YEAR HE'S BEEN ALIVE.

A HUN-DRED TIMES ?!

Every day?!

TA—DÁ!

I'LL JUST DREDGE ONE UP...

FLUTTER FLUTTER

Class Album

YEESH. I KNOW...

SO TELL GREAT-GRANDPA TO RELAX, OKAY?

THAT'S RIGHT. I'M JUST GAGA FOR HIM.

WHAT?!

I KNEW IT! YOU REALLY DO HAVE A BOYFRIEND!

HERE, SATO-NAKA...

YOU GOT ME. THIS IS MY BOYFRIEND.

YES, BUT...

WELL, YOU WERE PLANNING TO VISIT TOMORROW, WEREN'T YOU?

WAIT! YOU MEAN...

WAIT A MINUTE ...

I'LL LET HIM KNOW YOU'RE BOTH COMING!

HE'LL BE THRILLED TO MEET YOUR BOYFRIEND!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU BOTH TOMOR-ROW!

YOUR GREAT-GRAND-FATHER WILL BE SO PLEASED!

UH...

WHAT?

HUH?

A LITTLE DORKY MAYBE, BUT THE CRISS-CROSSED HAIRPINS ARE VERY CHARMING.

BY THE WAY, HE'S REALLY CUTE, MISTRESS.

NO WAY...

I'M SORRY TO ROPE YOU INTO THIS.

IT'S ENTIRELY MY FAULT.

SO...

I'M SUPPOSED TO PRETEND WE'RE DATING?

I DON'T TALK TO A LOT OF OTHER GUYS. AND YOU'LL BE A WIZ AT THE FAKE BOYFRIEND PART.

WELL, I GUESS I'M LUCKY I PICKED YOU.

I sound like a real jerk!

YOU MAKE IT SOUND LIKE I'M SOME KIND OF PLAYER.

I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO TELL HER THE TRUTH...

HOW'LL I EXPLAIN THIS TO KOSAKI?

Your great grand-father's house is far...

Gee...

WELL...

HE JUST HAPPENED TO BE THERE WHEN YOU CALLED...

WHAT'S HE DOING HERE?

IN ANY CASE, ICHIJO...

YOU'D BETTER BEHAVE YOURSELF, MAIKO.

HOW THE HECK SHOULD I KNOW?!

WHAT KIND OF LUCKY STAR WERE YOU BORN UNDER?

GEEZ, RAKU, NOW YOU GET TO BE RURI'S FAKE BOYFRIEND?!

OH, I WOULDN'T MISS THIS FOR THE WORLD!

IT'S COZY COMPARED TO YOUR PLACE AND CHITOGE'S.

NOT REALLY.

SOUNDS LIKE YOUR GREAT-GRANDPA LIVES IN A PRETTY BIG HOUSE?

SO, MIYA-MOTO...

BRRM

TA-DAA!

OUR CLASS SURE HAS A LOT OF RICH GIRLS!

My family's house is normal though.

I GUESS HE WAS A BIG LANDOWNER BACK IN THE DAY.

Cozy, you say?

IT'S PLENTY IMPRESSIVE!

WHOA...

SATONAKA, MY GREAT-GRAND-FATHER'S MAID.

WHO'S THIS? A RELATIVE?

WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOUR ARRIVAL!

OH!

WELCOME, MISTRESS RURI!

She's beautiful, isn't she?

WOWers!

HE HAS A MAID?!

...HOME!!

WEL-COME...

TAK

YIKES.

I'LL SAY.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR DOING THIS. I KNOW IT'S ASKING A LOT.

Ha ha ha!

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

BAAAAABYYYY

OH, RURI! MY SUGAR ANGEL!!

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

SINCE WHEN DO FEEBLE OLD MEN COME CHARGING AT PEOPLE SCREAMING AT THE TOP OF THEIR LUNGS?!

KICKING A FEEBLE OLD MAN LIKE ME...

HOW COULD YOU?

WHAM!

HURG!!

...MUSASHI MIYAMOTO!

I'M RURI'S GREAT-GRANDFATHER...

PLEASE PARDON US!

I HAVEN'T EVEN INTRO-DUCED MYSELF!

LIAR!

IT'S YOSHIZO, NOT MUSA-SHI!

HA HA HA HA HA HA

*NOTE: MUSASHI MIYAMOTO WAS A FAMOUS JAPANESE SWORDSMAN.

OH! ÉCLAIRS, MY FAVORITE! WHAT A THOUGHTFUL GREAT-GRANDCHILD!

HERE, GREAT-GRANDPA. THIS IS FOR YOU.

WE'LL HAVE A NICE, RELAXING VISIT!

THANK YOU FOR COMING ALL THIS WAY!

WAH HA HA!

HE SURE SEEMS ENERGETIC!

PAT PAT

Eat up!

HA HA HA HA

IS HE REALLY 100 YEARS OLD?!

WHICH OF YOU IS RURI'S BOY-FRIEND?

KOFF... SOOO...

SECONDS, PLEASE!

WHY, I MIGHT DIE ANY DAY NOW!

I WAS DYING TO SEE YOU, RURI, BUT I JUST CAN'T GET AROUND LIKE I USED TO!

OH, MY HEALTH'S BEEN REALLY FAILING ME LATELY!

YOU'LL LAST ANOTHER DECADE AT THIS RATE!

Here you go!

AND I'M SHU MAIKO. A FRIEND!

SHOOP!

THIS IS RAKU ICHIJO. MY BOYFRIEND.

OH... THAT WOULD BE ME...

BUTT OUT, GREAT-GRANDPA!!

SO, HAVE YOU SMOOCHED YET?

Um...

Tee hee!

RURI'S A LUCKY GIRL!

HO HO! WHAT A HANDSOME BOYFRIEND! JUST LIKE YOUR PHOTO!

OH, I'M THE LUCKY ONE, SIR.

NOW...

I'VE GOT SOMETHING I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SHOW YOUR BOYFRIEND...

THIS IS WONDERFUL. HOW I'VE DREAMED OF THIS DAY, RURI!

YOU GOT A PROBLEM, RAKU?

RURI, YOU LOOKED THE SAME, EVEN BACK THEN!

MIYAMO ...

So cute!!

These are awesome!

WELL? PRETTY ADORABLE, RIGHT?

OH!

FIRST OF ALL, YOU CAN DROP THE RURIKINS BUSI-NESS!

PHOTOS OF MY LITTLE RURIKINS WHEN SHE WAS SMALL!

TA—DAA!

HERE'S A VERY SPECIAL ONE...

OH, YES...

RUSTLE

THEY SAID SHE WAS A CHILD PRODIGY, YOU KNOW.

Oh, we were so proud!

AND SO SMART!

Is that so?

RURIKINS WAS SO PRECIOUS WHEN SHE WAS LITTLE.

KER

WHOOSH

PLOW

THIS ONE'S FROM WHEN SHE WAS FIVE, RIGHT AFTER SHE WET THE BED!

LOOK HOW UNABASHED SHE IS!

I HAVE PILES MORE I WAS HOPING TO SHOW YOU.

WHAT A SHAME...

SNIFFLE

MY HEAD HURTS.

JUST KIDDING, PRINCESS! ☆

S-SORRY, S-SORRY!

KNOCK IT OFF, YOU ROTTEN OLD TURKEY!!

OH?

WHAT?

I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO SHOW YOU TOO!

HEY, GRAMPS!

KA POW

!!

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING, YOU CREEPAZOID?!

RURI IN HER NATURAL STATE AND IN A SETTING YOU'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE, GRAMPS!

FEAST YOUR EYES ON THESE! GUERRILLA CANDIDS OF RURI AT SCHOOL!

TA-DAA!!

TREMBLE TREMBLE TREMBLE

I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THE OLD MAN HAPPY!

AW, C'MON, RURI!

MAIKO...

YOU PROMISED TO BEHAVE, REMEMBER?

When did you take those?!

I'M DEEPLY MOVED!

WHAT A TREASURE TROVE!

Ooh hoo hoo! Yippee!

THESE ARE FANTASTIC!!

WELL, THIS IS QUITE AN EXPENSIVE COLLECTION, SIR...

HEH HEH HEH

IDIOTS.

ARE THEY FOR SALE?

I HAD THE SAME HOBBY WHEN I WAS YOUNGER!

OH, VOYEURISTIC PHOTOGRAPHY IS A HOBBY OF MINE, SIR...

HOW DID YOU GET THESE AMAZING SHOTS?

HEY, KID...

BIRDS OF A FEATHER

OH, I WON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER! WA HA HA HA HA!

YOU'LL STAY THE NIGHT, WON'T YOU?

YEAH ...

HE DOESN'T SEEM TO SUSPECT A THING.

WELL, SO FAR SO GOOD, RIGHT?

REALLY GLAD SHU CAME ALONG AFTER ALL.

WELL, THOSE TWO SEEM TO HAVE HIT IT OFF.

Tsk!

NO WONDER MAIKO ALWAYS BUGS ME. HE REMINDS ME OF GREAT-GRANDPA.

RIGHT...

KTUNK

WELL ANYWAY, YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER SURE SEEMS TO BE DOING GREAT.

I THOUGHT I'D DIE OF EMBARRASSMENT, CALLING YOU BY YOUR FIRST NAME BACK THERE.

GEE... IT'S HARD TO TAKE THAT AS A COMPLIMENT. U

YOU KNOW...

I WAS ALWAYS IMPRESSED BY YOU AND CHITOGE, WITH YOUR WHOLE FALSE LOVERS ACT, BUT NOW I REALLY GET HOW HARD IT IS.

THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH HIS HEALTH.

...

...AND HE'S HAVING HEALTH PROBLEMS.

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE HE'S 100 YEARS OLD...

WELL, I'M SURE IT'S JUST BECAUSE HE'S SO CRAZY ABOUT YOU.

YOU THINK?

I THINK HE JUST LIKES TO TORMENT ME.

HUH?

YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW MANY TIMES I'VE FALLEN FOR IT!

He's a regular con artist!

HE'S BEEN CLAIMING HE'S DYING FOR YEARS JUST SO HE CAN GET HIS WAY!

I'd say it's bigger than my house!

WOW, THIS PLACE SURE IS MASSIVE.

LATER ON I'LL SHOW YOU WHERE YOU CAN TAKE A BATH.

OH. SURE.

WHY DON'T YOU GO RELAX IN THE GUEST ROOM?

LOOK, I'M GOING TO MY ROOM FOR A WHILE.

TAKE A RIGHT AT THE END OF THE HALL.

THANKS.

OH. YOU'RE NOT IN THE GUEST ROOM, ICHIJO. YOU'RE STAYING IN THE CAMELLIA ROOM.

EXCUSE ME. WHICH WAY TO THE GUEST ROOM?

OH!

SHFF

Camellia Room

HERE IT IS.

OH.

HOPE I CAN PULL IT OFF...

ONE MORE DAY OF PRETENDING TO BE MIYAMOTO'S BOY-FRIEND.

I don't really know her that well...

WHA ...?!

HUH ...?!

WHAAAAAT?!

Sheesh!!

KAPOWIE!!

SAVE IT FOR KOSAKI!!

It's cool if I do that to Kosaki?!

YOU ALREADY SAID THAT!

THE MAID SAID I'M IN THE CAMELLIA ROOM!

LISTEN HERE, ICHIJO...

SAVE IT FOR KOSAKI, YOU PERV!

ONE OF THESE DAYS, I'M REALLY GONNA STRANGLE THAT OLD GOAT!

GRRRR

GAH!

THAT DIRTY OLD PERV!!

YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER SAID ICHIJO WOULD BE STAYING IN YOUR ROOM, RURI!

HMM?

Here's your futon!

MAY I HAVE A WORD WITH YOU?

MIS-TRESS RURI...

AND ICHIJO...

THE TRUTH IS...

WHERE'S THE BATH-ROOM IN THIS PLACE?

DOOT-DEE-DOO-DEE-DOO...

...REALLY ISN'T IN GOOD HEALTH.

YOUR GREAT-GRAND-FATHER...

...THAT YOU COME TODAY.

THAT'S WHY I INSISTED...

BUT ACCORDING TO HIS DOCTOR...

...HE DOESN'T HAVE LONG.

KOFF

HE'S PERKED UP A LOT BECAUSE YOU'RE HERE, MISTRESS RURI...

HUH?

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HE'S FIT AS A FIDDLE!

WHAT?

IS THAT SOME KIND OF JOKE?!

HE'S BEEN HAVING HEALTH PROBLEMS FOR SOME TIME...

AND A FEW DAYS AGO, HE TOOK A SUDDEN TURN FOR THE WORSE.

IT'S TRUE.

...DOES HE HAVE LEFT?

HOW LONG...

HIS DOCTOR SAID...

...IT COULD BE SOON, EVEN TODAY OR TOMORROW.

?!

BUT...

TODAY OR TOMORROW ?!

SHP

THAT'S WHY...

HE'S SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU.

...I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME TODAY.

WHEN HE HEARD YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND...

...HE WAS ABSOLUTELY THRILLED.

ZING

YOU OVERHEARD?

SHU?

I DIDN'T MEAN TO...

WOW...

THIS IS TOO MUCH.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

SO...

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

I NEED SOME TIME TO THINK...

THIS IS ALL SO SUDDEN... I'M REALLY CONFUSED.

I'M SORRY, BUT COULD YOU GIVE ME A LITTLE TIME ALONE?

THERE.

ICHIJO...

IT WOULD'VE BEEN TOO WEIRD TO STAY IN YOUR ROOM!

OKAY, MIYA-MOTO.

I MOVED MY BAG AND MY FUTON. I'LL BE IN THE GUEST ROOM, OKAY?

YOU SHOULDN'T BE WORRYING ABOUT ANYONE ELSE RIGHT NOW.

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S GOING THROUGH A TOUGH TIME.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

I DIDN'T REALIZE...

I'M SORRY ABOUT ALL THIS...

MIYA-MOTO?

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

HUH?

HE SEEMS SO LIVELY. HOW COULD HE BE DYING?

I'M STILL HAVING A HARD TIME PROCESSING IT.

I KNOW.

ME TOO.

...BUT I'M SURE YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE ANY REGRETS.

I'm sure that's why his maid asked you to visit.

OF COURSE ...

...I'VE NEVER LOST A LOVED ONE, SO I CAN'T PRETEND TO UNDERSTAND...

...YOU'D LIKE TO DO FOR YOUR GREAT-GRAND-FATHER?

IS THERE ANY-THING...

...

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER NOW.

I'M HERE FOR YOU.

IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO DO FOR YOUR GREAT-GRAND-FATHER...

...I'LL DO WHATEVER I CAN TO HELP.

I GET IT.

THIS IS THE STUFF THAT ATTRACTS KOSAKI.

Y'KNOW, ICHIJO ...

MOST PEOPLE WOULD STAY OUT OF SOMEONE ELSE'S FAMILY AFFAIRS.

OH!

JOLT

SORRY. WAS I OUT OF LINE?

...JUST A TEENY, TINY SMIDGEN.

I GUESS I UNDERSTAND...

WISH I COULD DO SOMETHING TO HELP...

YAWN

IT MUST BE A SHOCK TO GET NEWS LIKE THAT OUT OF THE BLUE...

I HOPE MIYA-MOTO'S OKAY.

CHIRP

CHIRP

CHIRP

WAKE UP, ICHIJO.

IT'S MORNING.

SHOOP

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO "GOOD MORNING"?

NICE REACTION.

It's me, dummy.

JOLT!

WHO'RE YOU?!

WOW.

WHEN YOU TAKE OFF YOUR GLASSES AND LET YOUR HAIR DOWN YOU'RE REALLY STUNNING.

YOU SHOULD DO THAT MORE OFTEN.

I DIDN'T RECOG-NIZE YOU!

WITH YOUR HAIR DOWN, AND YOU'RE IN A YUKATA...

I ALWAYS DRESS LIKE THIS WHEN I'M HERE.

SO...

IS EVERY-THING OKAY?

BLRG?!

KA-SMAK!!

SAVE IT FOR KOSAKI, YOU JERK!

He's had a long life.

OH. THAT'S A PRETTY MATURE ATTITUDE.

...SO I GUESS THAT'S JUST HOW IT GOES.

I MEAN, HE'S 100 YEARS OLD...

YEAH.

I'VE CALMED DOWN.

THANK YOU.

YES.

YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY?

...AND PART OF ME STILL CAN'T REALLY BELIEVE IT.

I'D BE LYING IF I SAID I WASN'T UPSET...

Is that a threat or a promise?

Cut that out, or I'll slap you silly!

YAP YAP

YAP YAP

SIGH...

MY, YOU HAVE A GREAT DERRIERE!

GOOD MORNING, SATO-NAKA!

Sir!!

I MEAN, JUST LOOK AT THE GUY.

WHAT BROUGHT THAT ON?

THIS ISN'T LIKE YOU, RURI!

I JUST FIGURED I SHOULD APPRECIATE YOU MORE.

NOTH-ING.

IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR YOU?

GREAT-GRANDPA ...

HMM?

I WAS JUST HOPING YOU'D GIVE ME SOME POCKET MONEY!

...

FINE.

FORGET I SAID ANYTHING!

CHIRP

CHIRP CHIRP

CHIRP

WELL THEN...

IS THAT SO?

HA HA!

KSHH
SHHH

WOW!
YOU REALLY KNOW HOW TO BAIT A HOOK!
GREAT TECH-NIQUE!!

Is that so?

FISHING?!

CHIRP CHIRP CHIRP

Like this?

HUH?

IS THIS REALLY MAKING YOU HAPPY?
GREAT-GRANDPA?

Like this, sir?
CUU
Here's a good spot!

Well, as long as he's having fun...

I'M HAVING A BLAST!
JUST HANG OUT AND HAVE FUN WITH ME TODAY!
YEAH!! THIS IS GREAT!

picnic time!

PLIP

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO DO FOR YOUR GREAT-GRAND-FATHER?

I WON-DER...

IS THERE ANY-THING?

PHEW!

THAT WAS A REALLY FULL DAY!

PLIP

JERKS!

THERE YOU ARE!

DONE WITH YOUR BATH, RURI?

IS THERE ANY-THING...

SHOO

BAM

BAM

BAM

...HOW ABOUT SOME VIDEO GAMES?

NOW...

KRASH

KA

BAM!

HA HA KABWOOSH!!

YAAH!

IS HE REALLY DYING?!

FWAK

BOOM

HA HA! I WIN AGAIN!

BASH

SHROOM

POP!

KRASH

Augh! He's too good!

CLICK CLICK CLICK

WHY DID YOU INSIST ON MEETING MY BOYFRIEND ALL OF A SUDDEN?

GREAT-GRANDPA?

YES?

Augh! He's winning again.

CLICK CLICK CLICK

I MEAN...

IT'S SO LIKE YOU, OF COURSE...

...WON'T GET TO SEE YOUR WEDDING.

BECAUSE I PROBABLY...

...THAT YOU'VE FOUND LOVE AND EVERY-THING'S OKAY.

BUT I CAN REST EASY KNOWING...

AND SOME-TIMES...

...IT CAUSES PEOPLE TO MISUNDER-STAND YOU...

YOU'RE SO SMART.

There! I win again!

I'M GLAD YOU HAVE SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS YOU.

What would Kōsaki say?!!

THE HELL I COULD!!

He's a fine man!

YOU COULD MARRY HIM TOMORROW AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED.

THAT ICHIJO KID... HE'S ALL RIGHT.

I DON'T WANT HIM TO DIE BELIEVING A LIE.

I WONDER IF I SHOULD COME CLEAN ABOUT ICHIJO NOT REALLY BEING MY BOYFRIEND.

Yeah, yeah. Good night!

I love you, my precious cupcake!

Good night!

What should I do?!

Arrrgh!

CLUTCH CLUTCH

BUT...

I DON'T WANT TO DISAPPOINT HIM.

HE SEEMS SO HAPPY.

HEY, MIYA-MOTO.

YOU'RE STILL UP, ICHIJO?

OH, HEY.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

NOT MUCH...

JUST LOOKING AT THESE...

OH.

HIS PHOTOS OF ME...

OH!

WHAT CAN I DO FOR MY GREAT-GRAND-FATHER?

THERE SURE ARE A LOT.

YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER'S REALLY CRAZY ABOUT YOU.

IT'S KIND OF EMBARRASSING.

I KNOW!

Ruri's
Battle
Record
Victories: 0
Defeats: 20
Why can't I win?
Using weakest character
Why ...?
Using strongest character

I HAVE AN IDEA I'D LIKE TO RUN BY YOU...

ICHIJO, COULD I HAVE A WORD?

HUH?

OR, I SHOULD SAY...

SOMETHING I *SHOULD* DO FOR HIM.

I THOUGHT OF SOMETHING I COULD DO FOR MY GREAT-GRANDFATHER...

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ARE YOU OKAY WITH ME BEING THERE?

CAN I HELP?

...BUT IT'S NICE OF YOU TO OFFER. SURE.

I WAS GOING TO DO IT ALONE...

I TOTALLY AGREE.

THAT'S A GREAT IDEA.

COOL.

I GET IT...

WHAT'RE YOU TWO STILL DOING UP?

OH, HEY!

OKAY THEN, LET'S GET STARTED!

HOW MANY, YOU SAY?

PHOTOS? WHAT FOR?

ABOUT THOSE PHOTOS OF ME YOU HAD YESTERDAY... HOW MANY HAVE YOU GOT?

HEY, MAIKO ...

OH, ABOUT THIS MANY!!

COULD I BORROW THEM?

TA DAA

COULD I...

...PLEASE BOR-ROW THEM?

OF COURSE!

HELP YOUR-SELF!

SHFF

GREAT-GRAND-PA...

ARE YOU STILL UP?

HMM?

KOFF

CAN YOU SPARE A FEW MINUTES?

WHAT'S UP? I WAS JUST ABOUT TO HIT THE HAY...

WHY, HELLO THERE, RURI AND ICHIJO!

SHP

GREAT-GRANDPA...

I'M SORRY.

I JUST ASKED HIM TO PRETEND HE WAS.

I'M REALLY SORRY.

I LIED TO YOU.

ICHIJO ISN'T MY BOY-FRIEND.

I'M VERY SORRY.

WE BOTH LIED TO YOU.

FWAP

THESE.

SHFF

I KNOW IT DOESN'T MAKE EVERYTHING BETTER, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO SHOW YOU.

THIS GIRL...

...IS KOSAKI ONODERA.

SHE'S MY FRIEND.

WE FIRST GOT TO KNOW EACH OTHER IN JUNIOR HIGH...

...AND WE'VE BEEN GOOD FRIENDS EVER SINCE.

KOSAKI'S ABSENT-MINDED AND ACCIDENT PRONE...

SHE'S ALSO SHY AND KINDA RECLUSIVE, BUT SHE'S A REALLY GOOD PERSON.

SHE'S SWEET AND THOUGHT-FUL...

...AND SHE'S MY BEST FRIEND.

AND THIS IS CHITOGE KIRISAKI.

SHE'S BEAUTIFUL AND SMART AND COMES FROM A RICH FAMILY...

...BUT SHE'S NOT THE SLIGHTEST BIT STUCK-UP. SHE'S ALWAYS CHEERFUL AND OUTGOING...

SHE GREW UP IN THE U.S. AND TRANSFERRED TO OUR CLASS LAST YEAR.

...AND WE'RE FRIENDS TOO.

THIS IS MARIKA TACHIBANA.

SHE'S MY FRIEND TOO, I SUPPOSE.

I GUESS YOU COULD SAY I RESPECT HER DETERMINATION.

SHE SEEMS KINDA PRICKLY AT FIRST, BUT WHEN YOU GET TO KNOW HER SHE'S ACTUALLY VERY SHY AND SWEET.

AND SHE'S SO INNOCENT, IT'S KIND OF DISARMING.

THIS IS TSUGUMI.

ICHIJO'S ALSO MY FRIEND...

...AND, WELL...

MAIKO TOO.

...

I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU...

...BUT I DON'T ACTUALLY HAVE A BOYFRIEND YET.

GREAT-GRANDPA ...

YOU MENTIONED THAT PEOPLE TEND TO MIS-UNDERSTAND ME.

...AND I KNOW I COME OFF AS COLD SOMETIMES.

I'M NOT VERY OUTGOING OR SOCIAL...

WELL, YOU'RE RIGHT.

BUT...

I HAVE LOTS OF FRIENDS WHO UNDERSTAND ME.

I CARE ABOUT THEM.

AND THEY REALLY CARE ABOUT ME TOO.

PLIP

SO, GREAT-GRANDPA ...

...AND SOME-DAY, I'LL WEAR A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING DRESS.

BUT ONE DAY, I'M SURE I'LL BE IN A RELATIONSHIP WITH SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS ME...

HONESTLY, I'M NOT REALLY THAT INTERESTED IN DATING YET.

DON'T WORRY...

...ABOUT ME.

PLIP

...

OH, GOOD.

I'M GOING TO BE...

...JUST FINE.

...RURI.

THANK YOU...

CLOSE YOUR EYES, MISTRESS!

OKAY...

WELL, GEEZ. DON'T JINX IT!

THIS MAY BE THE LAST PHOTO YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER HAS OF YOU! WE NEED TO MAKE YOU LOOK STUNNING!

NOT AT ALL!

OH, PLEASE ...

IT'S JUST A PHOTO. ISN'T THIS KINDA EXTREME?

OKAY, YOU THREE! SHE'S READY!

KCHIK!

OKAY, HERE GOES!

Ready, set...

BE-BEEP

WHOA, MIYAMOTO! THAT'S QUITE THE GET-UP!

WOW, RURI! YOU LOOK AMAZING!!

HURRY UP AND TAKE THE PICTURE, PLEASE.

I can barely move in this kimono.

WOO-HOO! AIN'T MY GREAT-GRANDCHILD A LOOKER?

NO PROB-LEM!

THANKS FOR COMING ON SHORT NOTICE FOR TWO WHOLE NIGHTS!

Especially with your two friends!

I'D STAY LONGER, BUT WE HAVE A SWIM TEAM SLEEPOVER TRAINING.

WELL, WE'D BETTER GET GOING.

SURE!

WE'D LOVE TO!

I HOPE YOU BOYS WILL COME AGAIN TOO!

GREAT! I CAN'T WAIT!

I'LL COME SEE YOU AGAIN AFTER THE SLEEP-OVER.

OKAY, GREAT-GRAND-PA...

OH NO!!

ARE YOU OKAY?!

GREAT-GRANDPA ?!

GACK! KOFF! KOFF! HACK!

JOLT

KOFF! HACK!

Great-grand-pa?!

So long!!

TRICKED YOU!!

JUST KIDDING!!

GR~~~~~IN!!!

YOU REALLY THINK I'D CROAK THAT EASILY?

OH, THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE, RURI!!

BWA HA HA HA! OH, I REALLY HAD YOU GOING THIS TIME!!

HAHH HAHH

This guy...

DON'T WORRY, RURI!

NOW, NOW...

KA-WA-MI!!

AIEE!!

DROP DEAD, YOU LYING TOAD!!

OKAY.

...

COME VISIT AGAIN WHEN YOU GET A CHANCE!

THERE'S LIFE IN THE OLD GOAT YET!

SEE YOU NEXT TIME, GREAT-GRANDPA.

GREAT-GRANDPA DIED A WEEK LATER.

UNTRUST-WORTHY TO THE VERY END!

...AND THE ONE TIME HE ACTUALLY CLAIMED TO BE FINE, HE WENT AND DIED ON ME.

THAT TURKEY WAS ALWAYS THREATEN-ING TO DIE...

...I'D SMILED IN OUR LAST PHOTO TOGETHER...

I WISH...

I THOUGHT I SHOULD WEAR MY UNIFORM.

MY GREAT-GRANDPA'S FUNERAL IS TODAY.

IT'S SUMMER VACATION, REMEMBER?

HOW COME YOU'RE WEARING YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM, RURI?

OH, RIGHT.

SKREE

OH, HEYA!

THEY'RE YOUR GREAT-GRANDPA'S FAVORITE, RIGHT?

ÉCLAIRS.

RUSTLE

WHAT IS IT?

HEY, WOULD YOU MIND TAKING THIS FOR ME?

RUSTLE

...IS FOR YOU.

OH, AND THIS...

GEEZ, YOU'RE CORNY.

...MY HOBBIES COME IN HANDY, NO?

ONCE IN A WHILE...

YEAH.

ONCE IN A WHILE.

Chapter 116: Lunchbox

Bonyari Library

CHIRP CHIRP CHIRP

MAN, THESE GROUP STUDY SESSIONS ARE A GOOD IDEA!

Yeah, that's right!

Is this right?

YEAH. OTHERWISE, IT'D BE HARD TO GET MOTIVATED TO DO HOMEWORK IN THE SUMMER!

HEY, RURI! WOULDJA HELP ME WITH MY MATH?

Yeah! Party time!

IF WE GET ALL OUR HOMEWORK DONE IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, WE CAN JUST ENJOY THE REST OF THE SUMMER!

DO IT YOUR-SELF.

TEE HEE HEE...

I THOUGHT AS MUCH!

OH, I THOUGHT I'D GET SOME-THING AT A CON-VENIENCE STORE...

RAKU DEAREST, WHAT ARE YOU HAVING FOR LUNCH?

WELL, WE GOT A FAIR BIT DONE.

SHOULD WE TAKE A LUNCH BREAK?

Soft voices in the library!

WHAT ?!

THAT'S WHY I PACKED A SPECIAL LUNCH JUST FOR YOU, RAKU DEAREST!

TA DAA!

I MADE IT ALL BY MYSELF!

OF COURSE!

Ahem!

WOW!!

Holy cow!

GEE... IT'S REALLY FANCY!

YOU REALLY MADE THIS YOURSELF?

IT'S DELICIOUS!!

REALLY ?!

OF COURSE, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHOSE COOKING LOOKS GREAT, BUT TASTES TERRIBLE (NOT TO MENTION ANY NAMES).

BON APPÉTIT, RAKU DEAREST!

MNCH

!!

I NEVER HAD A CHANCE TO SHOW OFF MY SKILLS BEFORE, BUT I'M ACTUALLY A FANTASTIC COOK!

ABSO-LUTELY!

TACHIBANA, DID YOU REALLY MAKE THIS ALL YOUR-SELF?!

WOW, THIS IS REALLY AMAZING!!

I'll make you anything you desire!

I APPRECIATE THE SENTIMENT, BUT MAYBE IF YOU PUT A BIT OF THAT EFFORT INTO YOUR SCHOOL-WORK...

I'M A LICENSED CHEF. I'M EVEN LICENSED TO PREPARE BLOWFISH!

I'VE HONED ALL OF THE REQUISITE SKILLS TO BE YOUR IDEAL WIFE, RAKU DEAREST!

GRR...

THAT JERK... SAVORING HER COOKING LIKE IT WAS THE BEST THING EVER...

Whoa, this is crazy delicious!!

Well, I started by soaking the black beans...

Wow. You really did everything from scratch!

How did you make this?

Can I have a little taste, Marika?

Anyone but you, Maiko!

What?!

WHAT?!

IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, PERHAPS YOU SHOULD PACK RAKU DEAREST A LUNCH NEXT TIME!

It's really good.

WELL, WELL! WHAT'S THE MATTER, KIRISAKI? YOU LOOK DISGRUNTLED!

IS THAT SO?

FINE, THEN! I'LL MAKE RAKU A DELICIOUS LUNCH!

WHAT?!

POOR RAKU DEAREST. NOW, IF I WAS YOUR GIRLFRIEND, I'D MAKE DELICIOUS DELICACIES FOR YOUR EVERY MEAL!

OH, RIGHT. RUMOR HAS IT YOUR COOKING'S DISASTROUS. RIGHT, KIRISAKI?

OH HO HO HO HO HO

GLADLY!

YOU'LL EAT CROW TOMOR-ROW, MARIKA TACHI-BANA!

OH, GOOD!

SHALL WE MAKE IT A CONTEST?

WE'LL HAVE RAKU DEAREST JUDGE WHOSE LUNCH IS TASTIER!

UM, CHITOGE ?!

KHH

HRR

RR

YOU WANT TO EAT IT, DON'T YOU?

I CAN HARDLY WAIT!!

KHHRRR

COOKING ISN'T REALLY YOUR THING, CHITOGE...

EASY NOW...

WHAT'S THE MATTER, DARLING? YOU DON'T WANT TO EAT MY COOKING?

HOW DO I GET MYSELF INTO THESE SITUA-TIONS?!

NO THANKS! I DON'T NEED A HANDICAP!

THE CONTEST WILL BE TOMOR-ROW.

TELL YOU WHAT. WE'LL CALL IT YOUR VICTORY IF YOU EVEN MANAGE TO MAKE SOMETHING EDIBLE!

TOK TOK

I'LL SURPRISE THEM BOTH WITH MY COOKING!

SLOSH

I CAN DO IT IF I REALLY TRY!

SHEESH!

KSHH KSHH

Yum!

I WANT...

...TO MAKE RAKU REACT LIKE THAT TOO!

ALL RIGHT!

LET'S SEE THE LUNCH YOU PREPARED, KIRISAKI!

BLUB BLUB

WHAT... IS IT?

TASTE IT? BUT CHITOGE ...

GAH! JUST TASTE IT, OKAY? IT'S GOOD!

GO ON! HAVE SOME!

GINGER PORK?!

IT'S GINGER PORK! DUH!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

?!

WHY DOES IT LOOK LIKE SLUDGE?!

CH

OMP

IT'S FRESH FRUIT JUICE I SQUEEZED MYSELF!

RAKU DEAREST!! HAVE SOME OF THIS!!

GULP GULP

GULP

RAKU DEAR-EST?!

KAFWAM...!!

?!

KOFF

GASP...

GRR-GNRL GRRR...!

I SELECTED THE FINEST AND FRESHEST FRUITS JUST THIS MORNING...

OF COURSE! I MADE IT FOR YOU!

WOW... THAT JUICE IS SUPER TASTY!

TH-THANK YOU, TACHI-BANA...

Trash

Recycle

WERE YOU USING A RECIPE?

HOW DID YOU MAKE THIS, EXACTLY?

KOFF

RECIPE?

DON'T DO IT.

WHAT DOES THAT TASTE LIKE?

I... I...

THAT MARIKA!! IT'S NOT FAIR!!

SO...

RAKU...

WHEN WE MADE THAT CAKE TOGETHER, IT CAME OUT WHEN YOU FOLLOWED MY INSTRUCTIONS, REMEMBER?

WELL, I SORTA GLANCED AT ONE...

NO WONDER!

NEXT TIME, FOLLOW EXACTLY WHAT THE RECIPE SAYS!

SPLURCH—!!

OKAY! THIS TIME I FOLLOWED THE RECIPE WORD FOR WORD!

CHOMP

I'M SURE IT'S GOOD. I DIDN'T USE ANYTHING WEIRD THIS TIME.

I DID EXACTLY WHAT THE BOOK SAID.

AND LAST TIME YOU DID?!

I'M STILL SCARED...

WHAT IS IT THIS TIME?

I'M KINDA SCARED TO OPEN IT.

BLUGGH

BURBLE

WHY'S IT SO JUICY?!

A SANDWICH.

HOW COULD THIS HAPPEN WHEN YOU FOLLOWED A RECIPE?!

I DON'T KNOW! THAT'S JUST HOW IT TURNED OUT!!

RAKU?!

FWU

MPF

RIGHT!

ALL RIGHT. YOU CAN DO THIS, MISTRESS! COOKING IS ALL ABOUT THE LOVE YOU PUT INTO IT!

BUT I CAN DO THIS ALONE.

THANKS, TSUGUMI.

UM, MISTRESS? MAYBE I COULD HELP...

HA HA

WHAT'S THIS?

THE NEXT DAY...

HOW DID THAT HAPPEN?! WHAT DID YOU PUT IN IT?!

YOU'RE KIDDING!!

Uh, Mis- tress...

IT'S AN OMELET. DUH.

GULP!

NGH ...!!

IF THAT'S REALLY TRUE, YOU'RE SOME KIND OF GENIUS!

LOOK, THAT'S JUST HOW IT CAME OUT. I MADE IT THE NORMAL WAY!

JUST EGG, OF COURSE.

WOW. THIS IS BECOMING AN EVENT TO EXPERIENCE KIRISAKI'S EXTRAORDINARY COOKING CREATIONS!

GNAW GNAW

IT'S SO HARD, IT DOESN'T SEEM EDIBLE!

I'VE NEVER ENCOUNTERED FOOD THAT FELT LIKE THIS...

GOOD GRIEF! HOW ON EARTH DID SHE DO THIS?!

B-BMP

B-BMP

B-BMP

GLRF!!

CRUMBLE

IT'S NOT EARTH FOOD...

GEEZ, YOU'RE A TROUPER, RAKU!!

WAS IT REALLY THAT BAD?!

KIWAMM

RAKU ?!

MMM!!

YEESH!

I CAN'T WATCH THIS ANYMORE, KIRISAKI.

UM, MARIKA? WE'RE IN A LIBRARY HERE...

...

IT'S PUTTING ME IN SUCH A GOOD MOOD, I FEEL LIKE MAKING SUSHI!

YOUR COOKING'S SO PRETER-NATURALLY BAD, I COULD DIE LAUGHING!

I'D SAY THE REASON MY COOKING TASTES DIFFERENT FROM KIRISAKI'S HAS TO DO WITH HOW MUCH WE CARE FOR RAKU!

COOKING IS ALL ABOUT LOVE, YOU KNOW!

WHAT?!

LOVE!

MAYBE THERE ISN'T ENOUGH OF THE KEY INGREDI-ENT...

I THINK I KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM IS!

PAT PAT

!!

Even after summer's over!

WHAT?!

...I THINK I'D BETTER MAKE HIS LUNCHES FROM NOW ON! ♡

IF YOU BRING HIM ANOTHER INEDIBLE LUNCH TOMORROW...

WHAP!

I KNOW I CAN!!

I CAN DO THIS...

WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS?! JUST BECAUSE SHE CAN COOK...

Thanks, but I'd rather feed myself.

-One pickled mackerel just for you, Raku Dearest! Open wide!

I CAN'T TAKE IT!!

BESIDES...

I OWE IT TO HIM!

HE WAS NICE ENOUGH TO TRY EVERYTHING I MADE, NO MATTER HOW WEIRD IT LOOKED.

I HAVE TO MAKE RAKU A TASTY LUNCH. NO MATTER WHAT!!

TOMORROW'S OUR LAST STUDY SESSION.

TIME TO USE THE EXTRA FANCY INGREDI-ENTS I SAVED JUST FOR THIS DAY...

OKAY. HERE GOES!

HUH?

PLIP

NOW WHAT'LL I DO?! MY INGREDIENTS ARE ALL RUINED!

NOW I CAN'T MAKE ANYTHING!!

THAT'S ALL I HAD LEFT!!

THE FRIDGE DOOR WAS OPEN?!

OH NO!!

BUT THAT'S NOT ENOUGH TO...

SHFF

ALL I HAVE LEFT IS RICE.

COOKING IS ALL ABOUT THE LOVE YOU PUT INTO IT!

COOKING IS ALL ABOUT LOVE, YOU KNOW!

LOVE?

HA!

PERHAPS SHE CHICKENED OUT...

CHITOGE'S LATE...

WOULD YOU TASTE THIS, RAKU?

I PACKED YOU A LUNCH.

HAHH

YOU WISH, MARIKA!!

SHOOP!

KA FWUMP

!

CHOMP

YEAH. SO?

GO ON, TRY THEM!

UM... THESE ARE...

RICE BALLS?

YEAH? CAN I TRY?

YAP YAP

YEAH, REALLY! YOU DID A GOOD JOB! THEY'RE TASTY!

They look weird, but...

REALLY?

OOH, YEAH! THESE ARE GOOD!

YUM!

...BUT GIVEN HOW YOUR OMELET CAME OUT, THIS IS IMPRESSIVE!

I KNOW THEY'RE JUST RICE BALLS...

OH, NO BIGGIE.

HEY, YOU'RE RIGHT!

FOR ORDINARY RICE BALLS, THESE ARE UNUSUALLY GOOD!

AT LEAST THEY'RE NOT ANOTHER DISASTER...

THESE ARE DELICIOUS, MISTRESS!

I still win, though.

I CAN'T SAY IT.

Can I have another?

Me too!

...BECAUSE I WAS THINKING OF YOU.

I CAN'T TELL YOU THEY CAME OUT YUMMY...

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Blowfish
Cook License
Name: Marika
Tachibana

REALLY BIG!!

PO—W!!

OH, RAKU DEAR-EST!!

BIG NEWS!!

TEE HEE... ...

WHAT'S UP, TACHIBANA?

GAWD, WHY DO YOU ALWAYS CAUSE SUCH A COMMOTION?

BWA

SEE FOR YOUR-SELF!!

BWA HA HA HA!!

HAHAHAHA

SEE WHAT?

TEE HEE HEE!

HEE HEE HEE...

HEE HEE...

HEY, WHAT GIVES?! WHY ARE YOU SMIRKING AT ME?!

WOW, WHAT AN HONOR!

WOW! WAY TO GO, SIS!

YOU DID GREAT TOO, HARU!

MY TIME HAS FINALLY COME!!

BWA HA HA HA HA!!

WHAT? ONLY NINTH PLACE?!

NO WAY!! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!

WHAT?!

Marika beat me?!

Ha ha!

6th Haru Onodera

8th Fu

9th Paula McCoy

1st Kosaki Onodera 5110 votes

7th Raku Ichijo

5th

4th The Dark Horse Ruri Miyamoto

10th

3rd Chitoge Kirisaki

2nd Marika Tachibana

WE RECEIVED 24,020 VOTES! THANK YOU ALL FOR VOTING!! (ESPECIALLY Y-SAN IN CHIBA PREFECTURE)

NISEKOI by Naoshi Komi

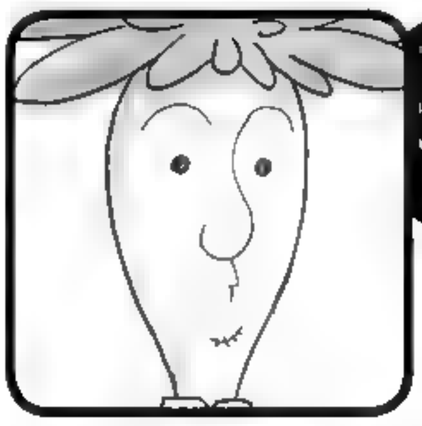
2nd Poll Character Popularity Vote Results and Reactions!!

11th place

Shu Maiko

12th place

Hana Kirisaki



13th place

Naoshi Komi

14th place

Scribble Onodera

15th place

Junior High Onodera

16th place

Claude

17th place

Kittydera

18th place

Magical Confectioner Kosaki

19th place

Y of Chiba

20th place

Ms. Kyoko

21st place

Elraine Figarette (Double Arts)

22nd place

Migisuke

23rd place

Kana Asumi (voice actress for Marika)

24th place

Mimiko Kiki

25th place

MikoDera

26th place

Rurin (from bonus comic in vols. 8 & 9)

26th place

AngelDera

26th place

SukuMizuDera

29th place

Onodera's mother

29th place

Cyclops Gengar Suzaku

31st place

Bridedera

31st place

Honda

33rd place

Raku Ichijo (in Junior High)

33rd place

Yamada

33rd place

Ruri Miyamoto's glasses

33rd place

Juliedera

37th place

The Suzumiya Strawbery Daifuku, Marika in Miko Robes, Junior High Haru, Toru Suzuya, Tsugumi's Special Nikujaga (Chapter 54), Bloody Mary, the Gorilla Doll, Gorizawa, KashiDera, Raku Ichijo (as a child)

Other Curveballs: Takao Gashuin, Ruri's Glasses in the bottom right of the cover page of Chapter 58, the Whiskey Bonbons, Onodera's failed chocolate creations, Raku's Candied Sweet Potatoes

In the first *Nisekoi* Popularity Poll, Onodera came in first, and Chitoge came in second. This time, Onodera's overwhelming popularity was really unmatchable. It's notable that for some reason, readers voted for a lot of very specific versions of Onodera. Between 10th and 20th place, half of the votes seem like they should also count for Onodera, making the actual tally hard to establish. We expected Chitoge to come in second again, but a surprise phenomenon skewed the results...Y of Chiba! Marika only managed to reach 4th place last time, despite amassing 1,500 votes, but she received an all-star level assist. I bet Y never anticipated actually making the rankings! F of Chiba, who voted for Onodera, and K of Kumamoto, who voted for Ruri, also demonstrated love on par with Y of Chiba. All three of them sent in handwritten votes. However, to avoid further escalation that could lead to carpal tunnel syndrome, we decided not to publish the number of votes. We simply wish to express our deep appreciation and respect for the passion of the three postcard musketeers, F, K, and Y, as well as for all of the wonderful *Nisekoi* fans who sent even one postcard. Artist Naoshi Komi commented, "I'm very grateful to everyone who voted. It's wonderful to have people support the characters I've created. Please continue to support *Nisekoi*!"

Bonus Comic!!

Magical Confectioner Kosaki!!

An evildoer has appeared in Bonyari City!

Magical Girls assigned to correspond-ing districts, report immedi-ately!!

Aaugh!!

KRUMBLE KRUMBLE

RAAAWRRR

BOOM

EVIL

Eeek!

Day and night, the Magical Girls continue to battle evil!

Nooo!

RAAWR GRRRWL

Owie... I hit my fore-head...

Don't give up, girls!!

It's too strong for us!

It's no good! We're over-powered!

BAM!!

All three of you have to be completely naked for five minutes to focus your powers together!

There's only one option. You'll have to use a special attack that blends all of your power!

A special attack?! There's such a thing?

Yes. But it can only be used under very strict conditions...

I know...

Five minutes is a long time in a battle...

That's not the point!!

I mean, sure, that's important too, but...

Why completely naked?!

Wha...?!

Isn't there any way around it?!

That's perverted... Forcing us to be naked in public for five minutes!!

You're kidding!

Even the magical powers in your magical outfits... Is that a problem?

Because the special attack requires all of your magical powers.

It's fine. It's not fair for only you three to be in danger.

You can't!! It's too dangerous!!

I can fight too.

Let's get started!

Come on.

Don't worry! I'll distract the enemy while you're doing it!

All what done, ?! Rurin ?!

I'm fine with it!

Don't be such wimps!

Nope.

You'd better hurry or the damage is gonna get worse.

Argh... Well... Okay...

...with my Ultra Unparralelled Attack Method capable of blowing away planets!

I'll simply combine my Ultra Complete Defense System capable of withstanding a nuclear explosion...

That should distract him!

KRAKKLE KRAKKLE

VWHOOOO

TAK TAK

The enemy won't wait!

Hurry now!

WHOO?

Doesn't that make us kinda super-fluous?

Huh?!

Eek! My clothes! My clothes!!

PA-POW!

PA-POW!

To be continued? Hard to say...

Overheard the whole conversation
p-p-planets ...?!

NISEKOI

False Love